

IN OLD VIENNA.

ITS MAGNIFICENT BUILDINGS AND PARKS—
ITS CHURCHES AND FINE ORGANS—
THE BLUE DECEMBER.

(Old World Correspondence.)

No street in Vienna is so attractive as that part of the "Ring" called Franzensring. Entering it from Burg Ring, another portion of the Ring, we find on our right the charming People's Garden, and on our left a little back from the street, the High Court of Justice, built in German Renaissance style. A little farther back is the palace of Prince Auersperg. Next, but close on Ringstrasse, is the Imperial Parliament House. It is built in Grecian style. Upon it are a number of statues in various attitudes, some as if engaged in debate; also four large bronze quadrigas on each wing, above the two houses. It has a broad portico and a portico that opens into a vestibule which leads to a large hall with 24 columns. From the hall one goes to the left to the House of Lords, and to the right to the lower House. The rooms and halls abound in polished marble and beautiful frescoes.

Next the Parliament House is the new town hall park, which extends to the Imperial University, a building nearly, if not quite as large and noble as the Parliament House, to which it is a fitting companion. At the back of the park is the new town hall, the product of the genius of Baron Schickel, the cathedral architect who died in 1891. It is a magnificent gothic structure, 154 meters long, 124 wide, with 7 courts. The chief tower rising from the middle of the front face is 107 meters high; on its top is the iron figure of a man, called "The Iron Man." There are four smaller towers. These with the galleries, balconies, gothic windows and wonderful sculptures, present an aspect equalled by no other in the city. The inside is as exquisite as the exterior. It is splendid in the best sense of the word. The cost of the building has been more than 15,000,000 florins, (\$5,000,000).

Opposite the town hall, from which it is separated by the Part and the Ringstrasse, is the new Imperial Court Theatre, of stone, Renaissance style. It has seats for 1474 spectators.

The University was founded by Duke Rudolph IV, and Albert III, 1365-1384. The building now in use is new. It has a library of 200,000 volumes. There are four faculties and 4000 students.

Such grounds and buildings are what give pre-eminence to Franzensring. Its summer beauty we winter comers must imagine.

Back of this street in line with the town hall is a row of other palatial buildings.

The Burg Ring, to which we return from the foregoing, called Burg Ring because of the Palace (Burg) and palace grounds adjoining, turns to the southeast and makes connection with Opera Ring. Here the line of Imperial and city buildings is continued, and we see the Imperial Museum of Natural History, and the Imperial Museum of Art and Antiquities. Between these is a large square, a beautiful piece of landscape gardening, in the heart of which stands the monument of Empress Maria Theresa, of which I shall write something by and by. The buildings are adorned with fresco paintings, marble perons and many statues. In both the collections are large, really immense, and in one of the departments of Natural History are represented. In the other are valuable collections of works of art, belonging, as do the Natural History collection, to the crown. The Imperial Picture Gallery, the Hunting and Arms Museum, the cabinet of Coins and Antiquities are here. The Picture Gallery is all we have had time to visit. Paintings enough, so many that three catalogues are filled with numbers and titles, but the whole seems far inferior to the royal gallery in Dresden. There are some works of the great old masters, and some works by modern painters that are very interesting; the historical scenes, for instance, and sundry others.

No one thing in the building was to me as interesting as Canova's Marble Theues slaying the Centaur.

The setting of the collections, the decorations of the numerous halls, may well draw the attention of the visitor often from the paintings, even of the best masters. Marble and gold, marble and gold, marble and gold, all the choicest varieties, black marble polished into mirrors and giving again the pictures that hang on the wall.

Opposite the museum and park are the Hofburg of the Emperor. This consists of a series of courts and buildings. The present residence of the emperor dates from the 13th century. New wings are planned and one is now a-building, across the outer court and near the gardens, extending to the street. They are intended for the residence of the Imperial family. When completed, they will be connected with the museums by stately arcades in arches spanning the broad Burgstrasse.

I think I will now quit the architectural field and go to the pictures.

I was passing St. Stephen's church, looking at mortuary tablets on the outer wall, when some one opened a door. Through the open door music came to my ear. I entered and heard the organ pealing notes of praise, and a choir and singers in the congregation added vocal melody to the instrumental. I remained and enjoyed it. I never hear an organ without thinking of Milton. And at this Christmas season, I recall his Nativity Hymn and the lines,

Ring out, ye crystal spheres,
Once bless our human ears,
If ye have power to touch the senses so,
And let your silver chime
Move in melodious time,
And let the bass of heaven's deep organ blow,
And with your manly voices join,
To wake up full consent to the angelic harmony.

For if such holy song
Enrapt our fancy long,
Time will run back and fetch the age of gold,
And speckled youth
Will sicken soon, and die,
And leopards will melt from earthly mould,
And hell itself will pass away,
And leave its dolorous mansions to the peering day.

Yea, truth and justice then
Will turn return to men,
Or'd in a rainbow, like glories wearing,
Mercy will sit between,
Cloth'd in celestial sheen,
With radiant feet the timid clouds down staring,
And heaven as at some festival,
Will open wide the gates of her high palace hall.

Pardon me if I quote too much and if I miss a word now and then. I am fond of that hymn. Organ tones dwell in Milton's soul and dwell in mine. I think I enjoyed the cathedral music as much as F. and the rest will enjoy this evening's opera.

There were many worshippers in St. Michael's, but none going into and coming from St. Peter's, a church with a feeble imitation of St. Peter's in Rome. A handful in the votive church.

We have crossed and re-crossed the "Danube river," the largest river we have seen or are likely to see, in Europe. We crossed on Crown Prince Rudolph bridge, which is long, wide, and solid, as the solid earth itself. It requires a long approach on the Vienna side, and a much longer one on the other side, and a long stretch to lift it above the river at its ordinary flood, and the broad lands allowed for inundations, which are hemmed in by a dam or dyke. The bridge is a noble monument to the memory of the unfortunate Crown Prince Rudolph, who lost his life while hunting. There is no other bridge across the Danube from Vienna, except the railway bridges.

There are many crossing the canal and the little stream called the Wien; the Elizabeth bridge ornamented with stone statues of eight men who were prominent in Vienna history, and others more or less set off with figures in bronze or stone, or made conspicuous as suspension bridges.

There are many noble and expensive memorials of departed titular greatness and of departed worth. Of these the most imposing is that of Maria Theresa, Empress of Austria, in stirring times. She was an

empress of inflexible courage and purpose; a mother, too, who with the care of state, carried the cares of her household, which she ruled wisely, and of which her children give proof. She deserves the honor of this monument. She was born in 1717, styled 1780. This monument was begun in 1882 and finished in 1888, was erected by Emperor Francis Joseph I, and unveiled May 13, 1888, in his presence and that of his family. The Empress is seated in her chair of state, and below and around her are her most distinguished generals and counselors. The equestrian statues of four field marshalls, the most famous, are on four pedestals of the base. It is a variety between these are the statues of four of her most noted statesmen. Behind these, on each of the four walls, receding between pairs of columns, are figures in relief representing with the statues spoken of, 1st, Foreign Policy, in the person of Prince Kaunitz (statue), and others, 2d, War, by Prince Liechtenstein (statue) and Lacy etc. in relief; 3d, Science and Art, Van Swieten (statue) and Gluck, Haydn, Mozart as a boy, and other relievis; 4th, Justice, Haugwitz (statue) and four relievis. The lowest platform is of granite; the sylboate of syenite, the columns of green Tyrol granite, statues and ornaments are cast in bronze.

The monument characterized by the most exquisite sculpture is that of Archduchess Maria Christina, died 1788, wife of Duke Albert of Saxony-Teschen, and daughter of Maria Theresa. It is the work of Canova, placed in the Imperial Parochial Church of St. Augustine, which is connected with the palace. It is a variety section of a four sided pyramid, against the wall of the church. Upon it, above, within a wreath, is a profile of the Archduchess. Below this an opening as into a tomb into which a female figure is rising. Immediately behind and a little to her left stands a woman with an urn lifted to her face; then a child; then at short distance, a group of three women, a woman, child, and an infirm old man holding to the woman's arm with his left hand, and with a staff supporting his steps as he lifts his foot to ascend. All these moving to the tomb, the tomb, all faces expressing deep feeling. The pyramid is nearly or quite 25 feet in height. The only inscription is the simple one, "Uxor Optima Austriae."

Of equestrian statues and others let me name, first, that of General Radetzky, called Father Radetzky. His saying, "In my camp is Austria," is engraved on his monument. (In German, of course.)

2. General Schwarzenberg.

3. Archduke Charles, died 1847, father of present emperor, who served three emperors; who soldier, statesman, and diplomat; whose motto was, "Austria before all." Was Prince of Saxony.

4. Prince Eugene, died 1736, who served, etc.

5. Liebenberg, the stout hearted mayor of Vienna, at the time of the Turkish sieges. (Not equestrian.)

6. Tregrethoff, an Austrian Admiral, who did good service in 1804 against the Danes. His monument is peculiar. His bronze figure stands on a lofty column decorated with naval emblems, and with beaks of ships projecting from the sides, after the manner of two columns in Jackson Park, in 1888. At the base of the column in a large basin are grouped sea lions and other figures, all of bronze.

7. The equestrian statue of Emperor Joseph, "who lived for the good of his people, not long, but wholly." He is held in affectionate remembrance. Was the son of Maria Theresa, born 1741, died in 1790, after a reign of but 10 years.

There are besides statues, of Ressel, first inventor of the screw propulsion of vessels as early as 1812; of Schiller, and of Beethoven, seated, both in bronze; of Mozart, in marble, an exquisite piece of work. On one face of the base, he is represented as child seated at a piano, but turned toward his teacher, (?) who stands holding a violin, about the shaft. Beautiful figures. I should have added in case of Beethoven, that at the base of his monument is figure of Prometheus with a vulture at his side ready to strike.

There is said to be in the town park a statue of Schubert. I went to see it, but found it in its winter edition, bound in boards.

The "Pest Column," so called generally, is a curiosity, if not a monstrosity. The Pest was here somewhat more than 200 years ago. Emperor Leopold I prayed fervently that the pest be stayed and his people spared. The pest passed, (whether or not in consequence of the prayers.) The emperor would not quit it, as he did in the case of certain naval battles between the Greeks and the Persians, and this column was raised and named the Trinity Column. Leopold is kneeling on the top, his attitude of prayer, a large bright star, like a sun, above him, and below him, on the column, scores of people, young and old, in various attitudes, as if thrown at it in a whirl, and had stuck there. If I get a good photograph of it, I will bring it along with me. It is certainly unique.

There are fountains and fountains, many are works of art, but none are now in play. They are hibernating, and will again leap to life and gladness when the birds and flowers come.

There is many a "Platz" in the city, an open square, or triangle, or parallelogram, each having a name borrowed from some live man or dead saint. Like unto them is the "Graben." So called because very long ago it was a fortified ditch.

There are also several markets, (markets) of which one deserves mention. It is the "Hoher Markt." It is not far from the Graben; it is the oldest part of Vienna, and was once the place of the Roman Forum and praetor's seat. It is as if it were writing. No sign now of Rome. All is modern about it. Near it is the oldest church in the city, if one knows the oldest, that of Maria Am Gestade. Workmen are repairing it. In the Hoher Markt is a high square supporting a high canopy on four columns. Under the canopy is presented the marriage of an emperor long ago; emperor and his bride stand with their hands, the Pope (?) pronounces solemn words and grants his blessing. All around this petrified (?) piece of business, market women to-day sell apples and things, (a different kind of business), unworldly dead Caesars, and Roman soldiers come not nigh as ghostly visitors.

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over 1-4 as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cts. and 25 cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

Newton Republicans Organize.

The Republican Ward and City Committee met to organize for the year of 1897, at the office of Mr. C. E. Hatfield, Boston, last Saturday evening. Mr. Eben F. Fornall presided and about 20 members were present. There was a lively contest over the choice of permanent chairman there being three candidates in the field, Mr. John T. Langford, Mr. G. P. Staples and Mr. A. R. Reed. Mr. Langford refused to run after the first ballot had been cast. The vote resulted in the choice of Mr. Geo. P. Staples. Mr. R. H. Gardner was elected honorary president. Mr. C. E. Hatfield, secretary, and Mr. A. R. Putney, treasurer. A committee was appointed to revise the by-laws with Mr. John T. Langford, as chairman. Several members spoke of the work of the coming campaign.

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NOT NEW AFTER ALL.

SUPPOSED DISCOVERIES THAT WERE KNOWN AGES AGO.

Hindoo Claim That the Ancients Knew Far More Than Is Credited to Them. Reference to Wendell Phillips' Lecture on "The Lost Arts."

A learned Indian prince, Thakore Sahib of Gondal, is the author of a history of Aryan medical science issued from the London press. This book advances some remarkable claims on behalf of Hindoo science and civilization.

Prince Thakore asserts that the grandest discoveries of western medical genius, such as vaccination, anesthesia and antiseptic surgery, were all practiced among the Hindoos many centuries ago. He declares that in the "Aur Veda," or "Science of Life," which is the most ancient of all Brahmin books on medicine, nearly all the best modern methods of medical diagnosis as well as of practical surgery are fully set forth. The circulation of the blood, which we say was discovered by Harvey, is said to be fully set forth in this ancient volume of the Hindoo scriptures. Prince Thakore also cites historical evidence to show that cranial and abdominal surgical operations of the most difficult kind, such as we have supposed were never performed until within the last 50 years, were done 1,000 years ago in the land of Buddha. He points to the record of the trephining of King Bhoja of Dhar, who lived about A. D. 977, to relieve him of severe pains in his head. The record clearly states that the king was rendered unconscious, his cranium opened, the cause of the trouble removed from the brain, the wound closed up and his trouble completely cured. Jivaka, who was Buddha's own physician, performed similar operations.

Such claims tend to shake the self esteem of western peoples as the wisest and most highly inventive that have ever occupied the earth and to cast a doubt upon their boast that they are "the heirs of all the ages in the foremost files of time." It is no new thing, however, for us to be told that all light travels from the east to the west end not from the west end to the east. We speak of Asia as "the cradle of the race," and so it undoubtedly was. We need not be surprised therefore, if, as Asia becomes better known and its antiquities more closely inquired into, we should find that much of the supposed new knowledge of the west was familiar in the east when the world was young. Wendell Phillips' most celebrated lecture was entitled "The Lost Arts." Curiously enough, it is not included in the standard edition of his published works. A pamphlet copy of it, published 20 years ago, is hard to find. The famous Massachusetts orator very largely forecasted the claims of Prince Thakore. He boldly declared that of 100 marvelous things known to the nineteenth century 90 of them had been anticipated by the ancients. He pointed more particularly to mechanical arts and inventions. He quoted Fliny to show that Nero had a ring with a gem in it through which he looked and watched the sword play of the gladiators in the arena more clearly than with the naked eye—a style of opera glass unknown to us moderns.

The use of microscopes of immense power in ancient Egypt, Persia and Greece is fairly presumable, because there is a gem shown at Parma, once worn on the finger of Michael Angelo, the engraving whereon is 2,000 years old and which reveals the figures of seven women only with the aid of a strong magnifying glass. Sir Henry Rawlinson brought home from Nineveh a stone about 20 inches long and 10 inches wide containing a whole treatise on mathematics that was utterly illegible without a microscope. And if it cannot be read with a microscope it could not have been engraved without similar aid. Mr. Phillips asserted that the art of coloring reached a perfection among the ancients far beyond our own. The burned city of Pompeii was a city of stucco. The exteriors of the walls and all its buildings were of stucco, and the stucco was stained with tyrian purple, the royal color of antiquity. This has been buried for 1,800 years, yet whenever the walls of one of its houses are dug out the royal purple flames up to view with a great deal richer hue than any we can produce. Evidently the Pompeians possessed a secret for making just colors that we have not. When the English despoiled the summer palace of the emperor of China, they brought home curiously wrought metal vessels of every kind, and European metal workers confessed their inability to reproduce them.

Sheffield steel is an English boast, but it will not bear the atmosphere of India without gliding. Yet the Damascus blades used in the crusades were not glided, and they are as bright and keen today as they were eight centuries ago. There was one shown at the London exhibition in the shape of a sword which could be made to touch the hilt and which could be put into the scabbard like a corkscrew and bent every way without breaking. The best steel in the world today does not come from either Europe or America, but from the Punjab.

Sir Walter Scott in his "Tales of the Crusaders" describes a meeting between Richard Cœur de Lion and Saladin, in which the English monarch is made to think that Saladin practices the black art because the latter takes an eiderdown pillow from the sofa and causes it to fall in two pieces by drawing his keen blade across it. Travelers in India tell of seeing Hindoos throw handfuls of floss silk into the air and cut them in pieces with their fine edged sabers. There is no steel made in western workshops of that quality. So, too, with the art of glass cutting. It was supposed 30 years ago that there were no ancient glass factories, but the Pompeian excavations revealed a workshop full of ground glass, window glass, cut glass and colored glass of every variety.—Baltimore Sun.

Mr. and Mrs. Zangwill.

"I was married in Ventnor, at least so I gather from the local newspapers, in whose 'Victors' list there figured the entry, 'M. and Mrs. Zangwill.' I do not care to correct it, because the lady, being my mother, is perfectly accurate and leads to charming misconceptions. 'There, that's he,' loudly whispered a young man, nudging his sweetheart, 'and there's his wife with him!'"

"That! Why, she looks old enough to be his mother," replied the young lady. "Ah," said her lover with an air of conscious virtue and a better bargain, "they're awfully mercenary, these literary chaps."

"The reverse of this happened to a young friend of mine. He married an old lady who possessed a very large fortune. During the honeymoon his solicitous attentions to her excited the admiration of another old lady, who passed her life in a bath chair. 'Dear me,' she thought, 'how delightful in these degenerate days to see a young man so attentive to his mother! and, dying soon after, left him another large fortune.'—Zangwill's "Without Prejudice."

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NEWTON'S SUPERIORITY TO WASHINGTON.

One of the Washington papers the past week contained a description of the trouble a case of diphtheria caused in that city. There are a great number of hospitals there but none of them would receive the child, and finally he had to be left in the basement of one of the hospitals, temporarily, where he could not receive proper care. The affair caused considerable comment, and an investigation is talked of.

This is interesting to Newton people, as it shows what would be the condition here were it not for the Newton hospital, where the contagious wards receive all classes of patients. The board of health can send any patients there and be sure that they will be received and taken care of, and in this respect Newton is better off than the capital of the nation.

There has been some unwillingness on the part of some of the city authorities to give to the hospital the support that the trustees think should be given, but in the light of this fact, such unwillingness should cease. The contagious wards alone and the provision for the care of those suffering from contagious diseases, are worth all that the hospital receives from the city, and would cost the city much more if it were not for the hospital.

There is no institution in the city that should receive more generous support from the city, as the hospital does much to save us from an epidemic of contagious diseases, such as less favored cities have suffered from.

As for the success of the hospital in treating such cases, a careful record has been kept, and no hospital in Boston or elsewhere can show a lower rate of mortality than has been secured at our own hospital.

It would seem as if every citizen of Newton would naturally feel great satisfaction that the progressive spirit shown by former city councils in the provision of such an admirable equipment for the treatment of these dangerous cases, has under the management of the able staff of Newton physicians accomplished such gratifying results.

The coming bicycle show in Boston is looked forward to with a good deal of interest by wheelmen, who want to see what improvements are to be offered for 1897. The local bicycle agencies are beginning to display new wheels in their windows, and evidently the changes will be just sufficient to make all last year's wheels seem back numbers. Business does not really begin until after the 22nd, in this season, which has been chosen as the week of the Boston show, but many of the more enthusiastic are talking of going over to New York, where the principal show of the spring season is always held. Judging from present indications, the manufacturers have good reason to expect better business even than last year, and their factories have been running on full time to provide for the expected demand. Very little change, if any, will be made in the prices of high grade wheels, but some of the less well known makers have already announced a cut in rates. A great effort has been made, it is reported, among the leading manufacturers, to agree upon a price for second hand wheels, and to make such an agreement binding upon all their agents, as the lack of any definite price has been a great factor in the cutting of rates, but whether such an agreement has been made or not will be seen later. Last year, the blame for the lack of prosperity in all other kinds of business was laid to the bicycle, but the election of McKinley has of course changed all that, and all kinds of business has boomed since the election, as the McKinleyites predicted. One of the funny things connected with "biking" is the petition gotten up by a good woman of Boston, well known in charity work, asking the legislature to pass a law for the arrest of every woman who rides a bicycle on the streets, as she thinks the female rider is going straight to the hot place. Perhaps some generous person will give her a wheel, so that she may get enlightened on the subject.

It was not surprising that Senator Lodge should oppose the arbitration treaty with England, as for the last few years he has made a good deal of capital out of warlike speeches against the British lion, and this treaty would take away all opportunity for such speeches. When the politicians wanted to distract the attention of the people from the foolish acts of the party in Congress, it was always easy "to twist the British lion's tail," and make a great display of patriotism. But with this treaty, there would be no opportunity for such tactics. Our senators complain of the lack of respect for the senate among the people but they are themselves a good deal to blame for this. Besides, how can the

people have much respect for a body made up of Quays and Platts and Hills, to say nothing of the great number who have no other qualification for the office they hold than their wealth which has paid for their election to their high office. As for their acts, are they not just what would naturally be expected from men who have obtained their elections by such means. If any corporation wishes a measure passed, does it not always find an obsequious senate? and the people have to depend upon the House for such protection as they are able to secure. When a man's wealth, or his power as a political boss, ceases to insure his election as a Senator, then the people will have more respect for that body.

At the hearing on making one cross do for the whole ballot, before the legislative committee, this week, one witness had the courage or perhaps the stupidity to tell the real motive of those who are seeking to have the change made, that would take away all the virtue from our Australian ballot law. He said that the people who run a town or city know what ought to be done, and that the great masses of the voters were ignorant and had to be told how to vote. They wanted this change made so that they could see that these ignorant voters did as they were told to do. He was opposed to any kind of a secret ballot, as it made the voters too independent. This witness, who came from Somerville, was really in earnest, strange as it may seem, and he had the courage to avow his real reasons, which the other witnesses concealed under more or less plausible and far fetched arguments. The Australian ballot does interfere with the bosses in the form we have adopted and that is the reason they do not have it in New York and other boss-ridden states, and that is the only reason why a change is desired here.

The prevalence of whist is something astonishing, when one comes to think of it, as it is the favorite attraction at all social meetings, and now charity whist parties have become fashionable, one with 800 players being the latest. Whist clubs are so numerous, that nearly every one belongs to half a dozen, and Newton women rival the famous Sarah Batches in their devotion to the game. A good story is told of a gentleman who started out one evening recently to play some long deferred calls, and after stopping at half a dozen houses, and finding all his friends either gone or going to some whist club or other, he gave up and went to his club, where he immediately forced to take a hand at one of the whist tables.

When compared with the many ignorant and hasty criticisms on the statue of the Bacheante at the Boston Public Library, it is rather noteworthy that Prof. Ann E. Morgan of Wellesley College read a paper at the meeting of the State Federation of Women's Clubs at Springfield, which was a warm defense of the beautiful statue, considering the subject from an esthetic and also a historical standpoint, and bringing out the true meaning of the idea represented by Bacchus, which contains nothing immoral. Mrs. Julia Ward Howe agreed heartily with Prof. Morgan, and really it is difficult to understand how any one can object to the statue on the score of morality, after they have once seen it.

A BATHER AMUSING incident of the "no school signal" tempest, is that the mayor receives his authority to sound the signal from a rule of the school board itself, and that the said rule can be suspended at the pleasure of the board. It was intended to provide for the signal in case of the absence or illness of the superintendent. It is said that the members of the school board are so much exercised over the affair that they may decide to suspend the rule.

As an illustration of the fast mail service between the different Newton villages, some proofs were mailed to West Newton at the Newton office, on Friday morning last, and they arrived at West Newton Monday evening. They were marked, fortunately "Proofs, rush," or they might have been several days longer on the way.

DEALERS in woolen goods, tailors and others, are urging their customers to lay in a stock now for next winter, as the new tariff bill to be passed as soon as the next administration can get at it, will increase the prices of all kinds of goods, as the last McKinley bill did.

CHAUNCEY DEWEY says that we can not expect an improvement in business until next fall. In other words the advance Agent of Prosperity is a long ways off in advance.

THERE were 166 alarms of fire last year, against 125 in 1895, but the loss was about \$25,000 less, probably due to the rubber coverings used by the fire department.

THE petition for the revision of the city charter was presented in the house on Wednesday.

MR. J. H. NICHOLS' GIFT.

HARVARD ACCEPTS HIS OFFER OF \$5000 TO FOUND A SCHOLARSHIP.

At a meeting of the president and fellows of Harvard College on Jan. 25, the treasurer submitted a letter from Mr. J. Howard Nichols, of which the following is an extract:
To the President and Fellows of Harvard College:
I hereby ask your acceptance of the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5000) as the foundation of the Howard Gardner Nichols "scholarship" for undergraduates, in memory of my deceased son, who graduated at Harvard College with the class of 1893.
My son's death resulted from an accident at the cotton mill, which he had constructed in northern Alabama—where he was greatly beloved—and it is my wish that a student from north Alabama, if of good character and scholarship, shall have the preference over others in the assignment of the income of this scholarship. If in any year no such student shall at the usual time apply for the income, it may be assigned, at the discretion of the president and fellows, to some other student in the undergraduate department of the college.
Yours very truly,
J. HOWARD NICHOLS.
It was voted Wednesday that Mr. Nichols' gift be gratefully accepted on the terms named, and that the Howard Gardner Nichols scholarship be established with an income of \$2000. This scholarship will not be available until the year 1897-98.

AT BEACON HILL.

THE CHARLES RIVER PARK SYSTEM—THE ALLEN INCIDENT—TRUST COMPANIES—SENATOR HARWOOD'S DIPLOMACY—GREAT RUSH OF NEW BUSINESS.

(Special Legislative Correspondence.)

Boston, Feb. 3, '97.
The legislature is attempting to temporarily assimilate a perfect avalanche of petitions and bills, always inseparable from today, the first Wednesday in February. That, much feared, but really true friend to short sessions, the 12th joint rule, goes into effect today, and hereafter any person with a bill or petition must go before the committee on rules and convince them that the wheels of industry will stop, or the finances of a municipality or corporation be crippled, before it can get in under suspension of the rule. It has become an unwritten law that the rule is not to hold against petitions presented by a municipality, but woe betide the private individual who has waited too long.

The committee on metropolitan affairs, has started in the face a bill which is likely to make a commotion. It comes from the Nashua river basin, and there is blood in the eye of its promoters. It is to provide a further indemnity for the people of West Boylston, Boylston and Clinton, and this time the town of Sterling, which heretofore has been quiescent is added. Boylston desires an annuity of \$3000 to reimburse her for ruined industries and vacated homes. Clinton desires an equal sum, while Sterling claims \$1000 annually. West Boylston asks \$12,000. All this means a big fight, for the general sympathy of the public is with these afflicted communities, the metropolitan district must have water, and the sentiment of the situation must give way to the practical necessities of the thirsty towns and cities of the metropolis.

There is something more to be said concerning this matter, however. Newton's representative in the attorney general's office, Mr. Travis, is a man who starts that he is not in immediate charge of metropolitan water matters, for the estimable gentleman who is likely to have to negotiate these towns with a grievance after him, and the twenty thirty rowdy of the metropolitan district begins him to place no further financial burdens upon them than are now theirs in anticipation, but he will probably have to labor under the disadvantage of having the indifferent support only of the law department of Boston. Why? Well, Attorney General Knowlton is an economist. He last year suggested that looking to the end of the year, he was the commissions for their legal advice, and had all the legal business of the various state boards transferred to his office. He this year asks that Mr. Travis, who by this arrangement has the care of the law department of the metropolitan park commission added to his duties, have his salary increased to \$3500, a request in which I most heartily concur, for if there is an able man, who by faithfulness and general good sense deserves such recognition, it is the first assistant of the attorney general. The water business is in the hands of William D. Turner. The effect of the change was that the man who drew the bill, Andrew J. Bailey, was summarily shorn of a salary as special counsel of \$3000 annually. Mr. Knowlton has saved the Commonwealth probably \$20,000 or \$25,000 a year, and therefore have Mr. Bailey in a position where the only thing which will lead to his aiding the state in fighting the claims of the opponents of the water scheme is the interest of doing the same, and that I have here said, it may be understood why the law department of Boston would not object to the change, for in any such arrangement the legal end of the matter could hardly fail to come into its control, which would simply place it where it was before.

Although the newspapers say a good deal about the cause of the change, in the executive council by the election of Isaac B. Allen thereto, there is no indication in the outward demeanor of the executive clerk, Capt. Edward E. Hamlin, that the conditions are any different from what have existed in former years. In fact, Mr. Allen admits, in spite of the efforts of an unfriendly press to make it appear otherwise, that he is not in any way to complain of the way his colleagues treat him. He is about the state house every day, and seems to make this his permanent headquarters. But one other councillor is in the habit of doing the same, and that is Col. Benton, who from his long experience in the insurance office of John C. Paige, has contracted the habit of being around when any insurance matter is to be considered. Now to see Col. Benton hobnobbing with the councillor from the fourth district, one would be led to think that he was a man all councillors delighted to honor. I have seen Col. Benton in the office of the political effect, and shows that he is wisely to lay down his arms as one of the governor's staff and resume the arts of peace. Capt. Hamlin has served as executive clerk under a great many peculiar conditions, and when he contrasts the slight breeze over the Beacon Hill councillor with the stormy days of the Butler regime, must feel that present complications are nothing at all to overcome.

The metropolitan committee has not as yet set any date for a hearing on the petition of the Garden City Improvement Society for an additional appropriation of \$500,000 for open spaces along the Charles river from the Essex street bridge at Cottage Farm to Mother brook in Dedham. The river flows so circuitously, that it keeps well within the line of the circle, which the commission has drawn as a general limit to its operations. While the commission seems to advocate the idea of limiting the takings to the space between Cottage Farm and the Lower Falls, doubtless there are other spaces which would be added to advantage. Mr. Kennedy of Holyoke, by the way, has raised something of a smile about Beacon Hill by his bill to provide for the commissioners to add Mount Tom to the metropolitan park. He wishes to have it taken under the same act, (407 of 1893) as the Charles river spaces would be taken, but he does not specify the amount that it will cost. People may smile, but there is nothing so really hibernian in the idea of the mountain being held as a metropolitan park as there would be, if there were any other way in which it could be taken and held. The writer has made a study of the history and present condition of the famous Stage Fort property in Gloucester, with a view to having it under public reservation as the spot where the history of the colony of Massachusetts, as distinct from Plymouth colony, began. He very soon found that unless it was taken under the metropolitan park act, there would be no way of holding and controlling it, excepting to place it in the hands of a private corporation with a public name—the trustees of public recreation—or harbor and land commissioners. The general court will have to deal in some way with both the Mount Tom and Cape Ann propositions.

Mr. Hayward's committee holds two hearings today, and hereafter is likely to have a good deal of work for some time, though it is a characteristic of the committee that it is the first to close up its hearings and submit all of its reports. The savings bank commissioners are against the multiplication of savings banks and trust companies, which rather relieves the committee of work, because few new banks are asked for, unless the conditions are very promising, and because they have

a powerful influence behind them. The big fight of the committee is likely to come when it reports a bill to increase the amount of capital which a trust company must have before commencing business. Now the figure is \$100,000. The commissioners believe that considering the privileges as general bankers enjoyed by such companies it should be at least \$200,000.

Senator Harwood is going to very greatly increase his reputation by the way he is conducting the hearing on the county committee on the Brookline county reform bills. When the hearings began, the appearance of things boded anything but good to the Commonwealth, and it looked as though there would be war to the knife. The county commissioners came out in force, and there was blood in nearly every eye. Now these men with the county reformers meet day after day, and under the judicial, as well as judicious influence of Senator Harwood, discuss the bills section by section, and it is noticeable that Messrs. Codman and Chandler of Brookline concede fully as much as they did to the commissioners. If appearances indicate anything, the county laws are to be greatly changed and improved, and that with very little friction when the bills come up in the house and senate. Such victories as these are far more to be desired than those won in debate, when many hearts are left sore and savage. A man with a strong will may often carry his point against opposition; a man with an eloquent tongue may sometimes win in spite of the judgment of his hearers against his position; but only a leader of men, with a wise head and conciliatory words, can make men who are completely at odds sit down with one another and be reasonable.

I suppose that F. E. Emrich and others who have asked in the legislature for an amendment to existing laws so that when a constitutional amendment or other question is submitted to the people it shall be printed on the ballot before the list of candidates, are attempting to vitiate the work done by Mr. Bridgman of your city and others who labored so ardently for the defeat of biennials last fall. To my mind, the biennial idea is disposed of for the next few years at least, and other constitutional questions are well enough off at the foot of the ballot. Those who are interested will find them, and those who are not interested ought never to be the ones to solve constitutional questions.

Last year we had a bill for the regulation of the practice of chiropody. This year its mate has come in, in a bill to regulate the "practice" of horse shoeing. I quote the word from the bill. The blacksmith pares hoofs, while the chiropodist performs like service for human extremities. Why wasn't Longfellow's "Village Blacksmith" a physician, and why should he not have been regulated like the rest of the profession? The veterinarians have asked this new legislation, but I shall be very much surprised if it becomes a part of the statute law this year.

The decision of the railroad commissioners, of whom a Newton man, Mr. Bishop, is one, not to permit a steam and electric railroad crossing at grade in Georgetown, seems likely to be set aside by a legislative enactment, as the people of the town are unanimous for it; but I fancy Newton people, who have gone to great expense to avoid such crossings, will sympathize with the commissioners' position. —MANX.

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NEWTON FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION UNUSUALLY LUCKY IN THE PRESENT YEAR.

The annual meeting of the Newton Firemen's Relief Association was held Wednesday evening in engine 3's house at Newton Centre. Treasurer A. A. Savage presented his annual report, which showed that during the year only \$16 had been paid out to injured firemen and that \$3338 remained in the treasury.

These officers were elected: W. B. Randall, pres.; F. H. Humphrey, vice-pres.; A. A. Savage, sec. and treas.; Capt. A. E. English, S. W. Corbett and E. E. Waterhouse, auditors; W. R. Banlett, T. H. Humphrey, A. R. Conley, C. M. Hewitt, H. M. Nickoll, G. F. Saunders, A. I. English, S. F. Chadbourn, D. W. Dow, R. McNeil, J. W. Kimball, A. I. English, J. W. Hayden, F. E. Healey, J. E. Trowbridge, J. T. Thomson, J. W. Munay, J. A. Nevins, P. C. Nickerson, John Beal, S. W. Corbett, W. B. McMullen and W. S. Higgins, trustees.

After the meeting dinner was served. Asst. Chief F. W. Humphrey was toastmaster and speeches were made by Mayor Cobb, Chas. Russell, Chas. Marshall, Richardson, Alderman Downey, George Cranich, C. F. Ross, H. D. Degen, Capt. Hardegan, Mr. Chas. Peck, Mr. H. A. Stone, Mr. Chas. Berry, Mr. S. R. Stone.

MARRIED.

BUTTERS—CRANE—At Newton Highlands, Jan. 27, by Rev. Charles E. Havens, George Washington Butters, Jr., and Charlotte Augusta Crane.
COTTELL—CROCKETT—At Newton Centre, Jan. 27, by Rev. Luther Freeman, Walter Crotell of Cotrell of Milford and Alice Maud Crockett of Newton.
DRURY—MILLER—At Newton, Jan. 31, by Rev. A. J. Carey, Michael Austin Drury and Mary Frances Miller.
DEWOLF—LANDRY—At Newton, Jan. 31, by Rev. A. J. Carey, Cerdil Dewolf and Louise Landry.
GILES—FILLMORE—At Newton Centre, Feb. 2, by Rev. Luther Freeman, James Thomas Giles and Margaret Fillmore.

DIED.

GARRITY—At Nonantum, Jan. 30, Mary E., daughter of John and Nora Garrity, aged 3 yrs. 2 mos. 4 ds.
HARTFORD—At Newton, Jan. 30, Ann, wife of John Hartford, aged 75 yrs.
AYLES—At West Newton, Jan. 30, John C. Ayles, aged 57 yrs. 9 mos. 10 ds.
SERVEY—At Newton Lower Falls, Feb. 1st, Laura Servey, aged 89 yrs. 6 mos. 13 ds.
PINKHAM—At Newton, Feb. 1, Henry V. Pinkham, aged 61 yrs. 1 mos. 22 ds.
LOVELY—At Newton, Jan. 29, William F. Lovely, aged 29 yrs. 5 mos.
HUGHES—At Newton Hospital, Jan. 27, Patrick Hughes, aged 69 yrs.
BATES—At Newton, Jan. 27, Henry M. Bates, aged 71 yrs.
HAYDEN—At Newtonville, Feb. 4, Henry C. Hayden, funeral from the Congregational church, Sunday, Feb. 7, at 3 p. m. Relatives and friends invited to attend.
LEWIS—At Newtonville, Feb. 4, Mrs. Lucy Lewis, widow of the late Parker Lewis, aged 84 yrs. Funeral services Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

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WHEN SALLY SANG FOR ME.

When Sally sang her songs for me, in days when we were young,
The sun and stars about our path a lovelier
glamour flung.
And I was wont to smile, say, while looking
in her eyes,
The melody was treacle spilled from realms of
paradise.
And so the hours went gliding by, as stream
lets to the sea,
When we were younger than today, and Sally
sang for me.

I see the plain old parlor now, wherein some
afternoon
She warbled "Maggie," with wet eyes, then
turned to "Bonny Doon."
And "Molly Darling" had its charms and
rather seemed divine
The while I longed to have her put her "little
hand in mine."
Ah, well! Old age should cease to dream, but
I would like to see
Her face once more, as in our youth, when
Sally sang for me.

—Nashville American.

A STRANGE WOOLING.

I am Casper Athwold. I was born beautiful, but one day a nurse dropped me from her arms down the whole length of the oak staircase. There is no need to say more. Yet I was a happy child. As I grew up I built such castles in the air as other youths build, and in my castle I began to see Kate Norman's figure, Katie's dark eyes, crimson cheeks, face smiling on me from visionary firesides there and hear her voice singing lullabies in the far-off future. We met often. She was always kind and friendly. I had fancied something more.

One day I went in the heat of the afternoon to a shady spot by the river side, my own ground. I lay upon the grass, reading a book, when behind the glossy leaves of the plants which the little ones called "bread and butter bushes" I heard the sparrowlike twitter of girl voices.

"She'll have him," said one.
"Fancy such a bridegroom," said the other. "All his money couldn't buy me."
"He don't want you, but Kate," said the first.

"One must be at one's last prayer to want such an admirer. No one could like Casper Athwold."
"Of course not," said the first. "But then he's rich and Kate poor enough."
"You are right. No woman could love him. But money will marry anybody."

There was a rustle, a sound of feet on the grass. The chirping voices died away in the distance.
Just for ten minutes I hated the world, hated the jolly, broad-shouldered farmer tramping alone the bridge path, hated the red faced boatman on the river, hated the yellow haired child in the bottom of the boat at his feet, hated all who lived and breathed and walked erect under the sky. Then my heart softened, and I wept. I had loved Kate, and I loved her still. The girls' chatter had awakened me to the truth. Just as I lived now, alone in the old homestead among the maples, so I must live unless I bought a wife with my gold—a wife who could not love me.

Such had been my brief wooing time. I went no more to the cottage in the lane. I met Kate no more "by chance" in quiet places. I did no more of those foolish things.

I shut myself up in the old house among my books and shunned the sight of faces and the sound of voices. It was the best thing that a man whom no one could love could do.

So the months wore away. Sometimes I had met her, but I always looked another way, and our pleasant greetings had come to an end. I had seen a hurt flush on her face and taken no heed of it. I had even been discourteous—but I loved her just as I had loved her all along.

One day I went to the old lawyer who had had charge of our estate for 40 years and bade him draw me up a will in which I left all that I possessed to Kate Norman, with a letter which only her hands were to unseal, only her eyes to read, after I had gone.

This was the letter:
Kate Norman:—You never cared for me. You could not. Once I heard a woman say no woman could, but I loved you. Had I cherished one faint ray of hope I would have striven to win your heart, but I knew in time that I was and in pity for myself I did not.

As it is, it gives me some pleasure to think that you will dwell under this roof. When you read this, you will pity, not deride, the love of Casper Athwold.

This note lay unsealed and directed. "To be given to Kate Norman after my death," and the will was also signed and sealed, and I walked home.

At my door the elm shadows lay thick, and in them stood a bent, crooked figure, clothed in rags, a beggar, who began his dolorous whine as I came up.
"A little help, just a little. I'm not a strong man, sir. I can't work like the same. You isn't strong yourself. You'll be knowin' what that is. A waddy old caddy that would be thankful for anything—a penny or an old coat, or a sup or a bite, yes, sir."

I tossed him a coin.
"Oo," I said, "I shan't loiter here."
The man looked at me curiously, as though he had expected more pity from me. The coin had fallen at his feet. He stooped and picked it up.

"Yes, it'll buy a bite," he said. "Good luck to ye. It's not always I take before I sleep."

I turned and looked at the beggar. He was miserable also.
"Come in," I said. "I'll give you some clothes. You need them sadly."
"It's nothing but needing with me, sir," said he. "The likes of me can't work."

"You have had an accident?"
"My father threw me out of a window for a job when he was not sober."
I took from my wardrobe garments I had worn and bade him put them on. Afterward I gave him food. I called no servant in. No one saw him come or go save myself. He departed, blessing me. I watched him out of sight. Then I burst out in a laugh.

"He had best go and offer his hand to Kate Norman," I said. "They would make a well matched couple. Does he look like me in my clothes, I wonder? They fit him well."

Then I remembered going out of the door and down toward the water's edge. A boat lay there with the oars in it. I stepped in and rowed up the river. The twilight faded; night came on—a dark, moonless night. I had dropped the oars and was drifting seaward, lying at the bottom of the boat. I knew that I was in danger, but the knowledge did not affect me.

Suddenly a glare of red light flashed over my face, I heard a heavy throb of machinery, and a shrieking whistle and a steamer was hard upon my little boat.

After that I knew nothing until I came to myself in a strange room, in a strange hotel at Albany. The captain of the steamer which had run my boat down fan-

eled that to his account lay the fever and delirium which had come upon me and had me taken care of. It was two weeks since the day last in my memory. I read that in the paper. There, also, I read this paragraph:

"The body found in the woods at — has been identified by the garments and some personal peculiarities as that of Casper Athwold, a wealthy citizen, who has been missing many days. His funeral takes place this morning."

I dropped the paper in amazement. My own name—the record of my death! Then I burst into a bitter laugh. I understood it. The beggar whom I had clothed had died upon the road. He it was who was that day to be buried under my name.

At first it seemed merely a cruel joke. Then the memory of my will and the letter written to Kate Norman flashed upon me. I must reach home and prove myself a living man before it was too late.

Weak as I was, I arose and dressed myself, and giving my address to the landlady, left the hotel for the depot, but I reached it only in time to find the train gone. Another hour or so must pass. They were ages to me. She should not read that letter while I lived.

At last I was off—fairly on my way. In the dark of the evening I alighted at the depot and hurried homeward.
There I should find my servants, and, probably, the lawyer, who would find it his duty to secure everything for the future heir.

They would not, I hoped, read the will so soon. Yet it was customary. If this had been done, how should I act, how speak? Only a little space lay between the depot and my home. The railroad coachmen had been my mother's greatest troubles in the last years of her life. Now this fact enabled me, ill as I was, to reach the house without delay. It was dark, and I met no one.

In a moment I knew why. They had assembled in the parlor to hear my will read—for, through the Venetian shutters, long bars of light fell across the porch, and looking in, unseen myself, I saw Kate Norman, with a letter in her hand, glide through the opposite door. The will had been read. Before I could interpose she would have read the letter also.

What should I do—return as I had come, change my name, dwell where no one knew me? It seemed that this was better than to return to the gaping townsfolk's nine days' wonder. Worst of all to meet Kate!

I turned from the window and hurried away, but I was still very, very weak and soon my strength gave way. It was just as I reached the churchyard. The road was bare, with no resting place upon it, but within the gates the soft grass tempted me, and the willow branches seemed to nod a welcome.

I cast myself down in the long grass. The crickets chirped all about me. A bird somewhere gave a shriek now and then.

I felt my blood on fire. I could not stop thinking. I could not give rest to my weary way. I was weary and worn beyond all description.

I heard the church clock strike 9. It startled me to think an hour had flown when the same clock struck 10. I lifted up my head to listen and saw a figure gliding up the path—a woman's figure.

It came straight on and cast itself on the grave by which I sat—the grave beneath which the beggar lay whom they had taken for myself—cast itself upon it, sobbing wildly.

The shadows hid me. I gazed unseen upon the mourner. Who was it? Some one who had mistaken the spot, no doubt. She lifted up her head. In the moonlight I saw her face. It was Kate. Had pity brought her there? Could pity make a woman weep so? I drew nearer. She spoke. It was my name she uttered.

"Oh, Casper," she cried, "shall I never hear your dear voice? Can I never tell you how I loved you? Oh, Casper, Casper!"

Silence, with the cricket's chirp amid it, and the bird's scream. Dawn broke upon my soul. Then I stood beside her, holding her close and fast.

"Do not fear, do not tremble," I cried. "It is a living Casper who comes to you and no ghost. Oh, Kate, Kate, you gave tender words to the day you thought mine! Will you bless me with them living?"

She hid her face in my bosom and would not look up—would only cling to me with her soft, white hands and sob.

And there we stood alone together amid the graves, I content to stand there, and had in my arms her cheek upon my bosom until the blessed evening time lengthened itself into eternity.

But at last she told me this, that of all men I was to her the best, and when I, wondering, asked her how I might dare dream that this could be, she made only the woman's answer, "Because I love you."

In the moonlight, on that happy night, we went forth from the old graveyard into the world of life, hand in hand, as we have gone together ever since.—London Sun.

A Child and the Letters.

An ingenious person named Kronh, whose patience is evidently more highly developed than his sense of humor, has been making some experiments that are supposed to be very important to scientific teachers. He has found that it takes a young child 364-1000 of a second to recognize the letter e, 358-1000 of a second to recognize the letter t, while the whole is recognized in 339-1000 of a second. Therefore, he says, primary teaching should be done by words and not by letters, and the letters should be 1-12 of an inch high and printed in a line not more than 4 inches long. We don't know exactly how he has discovered all these things, but that does not matter, for he is evidently a very profound person. We have done some figuring ourselves on the basis of his researches, and we find that, following out his method and adopting his kind of reading book, a child of 5 years, in an average daily lesson, would each day save 9789-10000 of a minute out of its valuable time. Think of that!—Bookman.

No Comparison.

Paterfamilias (walking the floor with son and heir)—Babies, they say, are such helpless things. But what do they think of me? Talk about helplessness!—Boston Transcript.

Just the Place for Them.

Advance Agent—Is there is an egg-fancier at North L. house?
Manager—Can't all dates and book us for every town in that section.—Detroit Free Press.

A Solemn Truth.

"O Lord, how you make my flesh creep!" exclaimed the serpent as soon as the curse had been put on him after the little trouble in the garden.—Indianapolis Journal.

A SONG OF THE CAMPFIRE.

Oh, the sparkle of the campfire on the sheltered woodland shore,
With the forest for a background and the lake spread out before,
While the "fall" canoes come tossing home to harbor in the bay
And the star above the sunset marks the passing of the day!

As the summer night grows deeper, how the flame illumines the place
And we watch reflection on the starlit water shine!
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And the darkness looms beyond it like the walls of some vast room.

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He was charming and petted Lili till he quite won her heart. The next day he sent us fresh meat and vegetables—we had nothing left but dried provisions. He came to see us every day, often bringing bonbons and dainties to the little ones, always giving Lili the lion's share.

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Literary Notes.

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Y. P. S. C. E., which followed, a good-sized offering was taken up, and will be given to the Home and Foreign Missions.

Mr. William Watnough and family have taken a house on Rustic street, formerly occupied by Joseph Isles.

—Station Agent Frank Wheeler of Bemis, Sunday afternoon received word of the death of his father in Fitchburg, where he has been prominent in the livery business for years.

—Saturday evening there was a small fire at the Watnoughs' residence, on Rustic street, which considerably delayed traffic over the Watnough branch. About 6 o'clock p. m., a local freight train entered in shifting cars in the freight yard drove a lumber car against a platform car, wrecking both. The force of the shock threw the lumber on the ground, covering the inward bound track. The east bound track was blocked for more than an hour.

—St. Elmo hall, Bridge street, was well filled Sunday evening, at the Temperance service given under the auspices of St. Elmo lodge, Sons of Temperance. An address was delivered by Mrs. Annie Adams of Dorchester, Dept. Grand Worth, Patriarch of the local lodge. Several of the lodge members gave recitations, and Mr. Scott Davis of Somerville and Miss Alice Butler rendered some pleasing solos. The afternoon meeting was conducted by Mr. Frank Tolman and Mr. Wm. Watnough sang.

—A business meeting of the Silver Lake Wheelman was held Monday evening, in the cozy club room on Cook street. Every member was present, and much interest was manifested in the club's affairs. It was voted to purchase uniforms, and several new members were admitted. The applications of others were considered, and will be acted upon at the next meeting. It was shown by the reports of the various officers that the club was in excellent financial condition, with a good sized balance in the treasury. Among the members are some well known amateur riders, and the club promises to take a prominent place in the local road and track races, to be held next summer.

—There was a large gathering of Nonantum young people in Armory hall, Newton, last Friday evening, at the second grand entertainment and dance of the Nonantum Young Men's Association. The hall was tastefully decorated and filled with 200 couples, including members and their friends. There was also a large representation from Watertown, Cambridge and Waltham. From 8 to 10 o'clock a concert program was given, which included selections by the orchestra; character songs, Mr. H. J. Jenkins; musical sketch, McFarland and Doyle; songs, Edward Bigelow; comedy sketch, Messrs. Burke, Crimmins and Master McKenzie; cornet solo, J. S. Young; comic song, William O'Neill. After the floor had been cleared, the dancing commenced and was enjoyed until a late hour. The following had the affair in charge and are to be congratulated on its success: John Barry, floor director; Denis Quinlan, assistant; Ph. Manning, Albert Morand, Joseph Abben, Henry Mahan, Daniel Hayes, George Hannon, aids; M. Flaherty, D. McNeil, Wm. Kirwin, reception committee.

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The Atlantic is trying to find and to bring together the best group of young students of literature, who will with perfect frankness and boldness take up from the point of view of the present, our older writers, and say just how their literary impressions are, and how much of it gives inspiration to the present generation. The world has gone for thirty or forty years practically accepting the estimate of our greatest literary men made by their contemporaries. It has seemed to the Atlantic worth while to find whether this estimate now needs revision. The views of literature and of life that these young critics hold are turning out to be exceedingly suggestive. They give an interesting measure of the distance that we have traveled in some respects in our intellectual outlook during the last thirty years. The list of these papers is the work of Emerson, by Mr. John Jay Chapman, to which we have already alluded, and which is to be continued in the February Atlantic.

Scribner's Magazine expects to outstrip in 1897 all its previous record, now just ten years old. Among the details of announcement which will interest the reader's appetite, such as these: "London as Seen by Charles Dana Gibson," with abundant illustrations from the Queen down; "Soldiers of Fortune," by that one of their number, Mr. Richard Harding Davis; a series of articles on "The Conduct of Great Business," in which will be included the department store, the hotel, the bank, the factory, and we presume the railway, the telephone exchange, and the telegraph monopoly; and might be included some such great church as Grace or St. George's, New York, which has its business side no less than its religious; and some such club as the Y. M. C. A., whose reforms are coming in for generous notice, and undergraduate life in American colleges, and the labor question in the cross lights of fiction; and the world's great travels will furnish the subjects for frontispieces. Mr. A. B. Frost will illustrate outdoor life. And so on.

Anthony Hope is just finishing a sequel to "The Prisoner of Zenda." It is a novel of the same high, romantic kind as "The Prisoner of Zenda" itself, bearing the title of "The Constable of Zenda," and carries the attractive personages of the earlier story through a new series of strange and moving incidents. The exclusive right of American student life in Rome, by John J. A. Beck, Poulney Bigelow discusses the career of President Steyn of the Orange Free State.

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She was a poster, so new and so sweet,
And a pedestrian.
She sat on the grass, with six toes on her feet.
Alas, for my sorrow I learn!
For she gazed at me with a crimson leer,
And her nose was so long, oh, yes!
Her dress was transparent, her joints very queer.
But, ah, did I love her the less?

Ah, never, no, never, no more
Shall I know of sweet peace, alas!
For my love is a girl of the primary tints,
And she sits on the purple grass.

The sky at her back was magenta and slate,
And the sun a delicate grey.
She was washing herself, and able to state,
With somebody's soap all day.
Her arms were too long, and her nose too short,
Her perspective was wrong, I confess;
There was mud in her eye from a small boy's sport;
But, ah, did I love her the less?

Ah, never, no, never, no more
Will she set my heart in a whirl,
For they've covered her up with a Bow's bill.
My beautiful poster girl!

—London Figure.

IN ALSACE.

Salome stood on the bridge which spanned the foaming stream and gazed dreamily at the mountains beyond and then at the meadows. Salome's cows were slowly coming homeward. In the pasture she could see her sister, Frederika, making the hay. The girl was not lazy, only dreamy. Presently Salome was by her sister's side. Then each one took a bundle of hay and carried it to their father's outhouse, for old Dominic was the forester.

The girls worked on, when Salome's bundle of hay was seized and carried for her. The girl turned surprised, and there was Morand, the young forester. She knew he had come, for her father had expected him. Dominic was to teach him forest ways.

"I thought it was Cousin Joseph," cried Salome, with a smile, and then Frederika laughed. "We were expecting Cousin Joseph. You know he is shut up for weeks in his factory. Joseph came less for the grand forest and its wild beauty than he does for gardens and their flowers."

"I do not admire his tastes," answered Morand.

Then homeward went the two girls, and the man followed, and as they passed the window of their little house there was the old mother, and Salome kissed her. Frederika stood a little in the background. She now turned back and sought a new bundle of hay. Then Morand ran after Frederika and took her bundle and carried it for her.

Then the father joined the three young people. Now Frederika, who was the practical sister, went into the house to prepare the evening meal.

"Come along, Morand," said the old forester. "The soup will get cold, and we must milk the cows before we go in."

Morand looked in despair. He had never milked a cow in his life. "I have never to learn," muttered he, piteously.

"Supper is waiting," said Frederika. As they hastened on Salome noticed that Morand had stuck in his buttonhole a bunch of flowers. They were crocuses.

"So you like crocuses, M. Morand?"

"I thought you did, Mlle. Salome," he said.

So, for a time, Morand lived with the forester. The harvest was gathered and there was a good stock of potatoes. The winter was coming along, and a cold one, but the family were prepared to face it. Salome's mother required the girl's constant attention.

Joseph came now on every Sunday. He was the son of the forester in the neighboring little town. Everybody respected Joseph. The young man was the support of his family. Perhaps his visits to his cousins were not as pleasant as before. The fact was, though no one knew it, he was in love with Frederika. Then he felt twinges of jealousy. He was uncertain whether Morand liked Salome or Frederika.

Besides, thought Joseph, "he will soon get his nomination to be forester elsewhere. A few months' patience! I shall speak to my uncle, and Frederika will not say me nay."

Morand watched Frederika from morning till night, engaged in her household cares.

"The time will come," he said softly to himself.

One night the moon shone in through the frosty windows. Salome sat at the foot of the bed, watching her sleeping mother.

"She looks less pale than yesterday," thought Salome. "Perhaps father is right. She will revive in the spring."

Morand and Frederika were laughing together—sometimes even her father, too—but Salome only sat and watched her mother.

"Take care, my child, take care," the mother feebly murmured, as the listless hand dropped, and over the beloved features came a solemn, terrible beauty. Salome uttered a sharp cry and lost consciousness.

When she came to herself, she was beside the kitchen, Morand alone sitting near her.

"Thank God, my child, your mother was not alone when she died!" she heard her father say.

Morand at once found the means of sending the sad news to Joseph, and Joseph came at once. It was a bitter cold day when the mother was buried in the village graveyard. It was terrible work making their way through the deep snow. The stout Morand had to give Frederika his hand and Morand supported Salome.

"Why, why," Salome said to herself a thousand times, "did my poor mother bid me 'take care'?"

Father Dominic seemed to take now no interest in passing events. His wife was dead.

Then an unusual thing happened. Dominic wrote a letter, and Morand went to the village to post it. In a week afterward Morand had a letter, and he read that he had an appointment as forester in another part of the country—or, should he prefer it, he might remain as Dominic's assistant.

Morand hesitated. The old forester, who had guessed the contents of the letter, had turned aside.

Salome watched both with evident anxiety. Frederika, busy preparing dinner, was the only one who took no heed.

Morand met Salome's inquiring eyes. "I am appointed forester to a place fairly well paid, but a long way from here."

"A long way from here," repeated the old man. "I begged that favor. I wanted to keep you here. I am not the man I once was. My strength does not come back with the spring. I think she must have taken it away with her, all my courage and all my hope."

His daughters tried to comfort him, but

he shook his head without replying. Morand precipitately escaped from the room. When the young man came back, his dinner had been laid for him only. But Frederika had taken care that all should be quite comfortable for him, even more so than usual, and she was in the kitchen alone. Morand seized her hands.

"If I go to that faroff place, will you go with me?"

"If ever you like," said she simply.

She had hitherto been too busy to think of love. But when Morand took her in his arms a deep joy took possession of poor Frederika.

At this moment the door opened and Salome entered. Frederika hastily drew back, but her hands were still clasped in her lover's, and Salome saw it.

"Sister!" said Morand, with a smile.

Amusement, almost stupor, was written on the poor girl's white face. All she muttered was, "Does father know?"

"Not yet," answered Morand. "I was just going to tell him for him in the forest."

When later the father came home, Frederika simply said to him: "Morand loves me. He wishes me to be his wife."

"God bless you both," said Dominic, and then he asked, "Do you stay or go?"

The father then thought for a moment and added, "Yes, we must expect that you will want a home of your own. That is just what you know pretty well what are the duties of a forester. It is hard for me to part with both of you, but it is better so."

So Morand understood, to his great joy, that he had won, not only his wife, but his independence. Salome and her father went out together. "Thou shalt be wholly my own," he said tenderly. "Thou shalt replace all whom I have lost."

Salome helped her sister to arrange her wedding dress silently, but energetically. She seemed to have quitted in one draft her bitter cup, to have cut off her right hand and plucked out her right eye. Salome was bent on rooting out of her soul a love which, however innocent at first, was innocent no longer. Salome watched and prayed night and day.

Joseph was at the wedding. When he asked for a holiday, it was with so dull a face that his master inquired, laughingly, whether he was off to a marriage or a funeral.

Joseph's secret was tolerably well guessed, but the bridegroom was not jealous. The young couple were gone. The forester's cottage had become silent. Once Salome used to sing at her work; now she worked without singing. It was with difficulty that she remembered little details of housekeeping, so easy to Frederika.

I am still stout enough to take care of myself, and I want no assistance," said her father. "It was Morand I wanted, but the lad knew better how to shift for himself."

It was the brightest day of the very dull week when Joseph paid his usual visit. He never failed to come early and depart late. He entered, taciturn and cold, arranging on his lap the flowers he had gathered in the forest, great handfuls of which he often took back to his city home. Never once had he exchanged confidences with Salome, yet he felt she understood him. Whether he spoke or not, her presence was a rest to him. She, on her side, began to find the time long between his visits, and each time when Joseph went away she said to him, "You will be sure to come again!"

The clouds were low and the sky gray when Joseph, stick in hand, the next time took his way to the forester's cottage. Streams long frozen came tumbling down the rocks or filtering through the ground. The murmur of waters was heard on every side.

Salome stood at the house door, watching the sudden thaw. Her father was away. She knew Joseph was coming and she felt, she knew not why, glad for that. Then she saw Joseph. She felt like scolding him for having loitered so long. He met her and she laughed. He had been gathering the first spring flowers, but Salome did not laugh.

"You will walk with me, Salome?" he asked. "We may meet your father." And now, chatting, the two went toward the glen.

They reached the stream. Then Joseph stopped, horrified. It was a roaring torrent. Dominic was not there. The water was tearing down the mountain side.

"For the love of God," cried Salome, "let us hurry up! Close by here there is a cottage. A poor woman and her child live in it. They will be swept away."

"How brave and strong she is," thought Joseph. He was certain now that he heard a cry of distress. Yes, there at the window he saw a woman, a child in her arms, and the house was shaking. It would topple over in an instant, and the torrent had to be crossed if they were to be saved. A moment after Dominic was by Joseph's side. The forester at least was safe. Then Joseph, in a loud, clear voice, bade the woman come down. She did so and shrieked when she saw the raging torrent.

Salome fell on her knees upon the bank. Her father stood by her, shouting out advice to the brave fellow, who was already fighting with the torrent.

"The long road is not firm! There is a hole in the bed of the stream! Brave lad! That stupid woman! She clings to him! She will hinder his getting ashore!"

But Joseph's feet were firm on shore. He was able to make a sign to Salome that he would go straight home with the woman and child.

"Let us hurry back and see that there is a good fire and wine and food," cried Salome.

Meantime Joseph, carrying the child and helping the woman, had succeeded in getting home first. He had not yet changed his clothes, but he had made up the fire, placed the woman in Father Dominic's armchair and wrapped the child in a rug, where it lay, warming its little feet in the hearth and smiling up at its preserver.

Salome stood an instant to watch the pretty sight, then took the child in her arms. "Go, Joseph. Go, yourself, dried in father's room. You have done enough for one day. You will be ill yourself."

"Then will you nurse me?" and he took her hand.

"Anything you like if you will only go and change your clothes."

Some months after Joseph and Salome were walking along the banks of the stream. It was Sunday, and the little waves seemed singing a Sunday psalm.

"What a transformation," said Salome, "since the day when you saved that poor woman and her child. How contented she is now. This stream is not more changed than her life, poor soul, thanks to you."

"And our life, too," said Joseph tenderly.

"Yes," answered Salome, pressing her husband's arm, "our storms are passed. The stream flows peacefully on. I understand today that one may yet be happy."

"I understood it a little before you did, perhaps," said Joseph, smiling.—Anthony Hope in Leisure Hour.

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—Ivers & Pond pianos, Farley, Newton.
—Miss Alice Cole has removed to West Newton.

—Mr. J. C. Farrar is at his shop again from an illness of a few days.
—Mr. Henry T. Hesse changes his residence from Parker to Clark street.

—Mr. Wm. K. Bartleson is now with the Edison Company, Boston, as an electrician.
—Mr. and Mrs. E. Ray Spear of Sumner street have returned from a visit to North Cambridge.

—The engagement is announced of Mr. David A. Ambrose of Newton Highlands to Miss Sarah K. Bartleson.

—Mr. Robert H. Gardner of Chestnut Hill has been elected honorary president of the Republican Ward and City Committee.

—Mrs. Dudley Dowd was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Lamkin, at their home, 394 Marlboro street, Boston, last week.

—Smith & Costello, hardware dealers, have taken a store in the New Union block, which they will occupy when the building is completed.

—A home trainer has been placed in the bicycle store of Mr. Louis Vachon and is attracting the attention of many well known bicyclists.

—Mr. R. H. White and Mr. S. H. Fessenden of Chestnut Hill were among the leading exhibitors at the poultry show held in Boston last week.

—Mr. H. N. Dunbar and Mr. I. S. Clark, both of the N. A. A., served as judges at the English High School meet in Boston, last Saturday afternoon.

—Mrs. John Lowell and Mrs. H. W. Mason are among the patronesses of The New England Conservatory's subscription recitals at Steinert hall, Boston.

—At the Unitarian church next Sunday service at 10.30. Sunday school at 12. Hale Union at 7.30 conducted by the young people. All are cordially welcomed to these meetings.

—There was a collision near the depot Tuesday noon between a wagon from Richardson's market and a milk cart belonging to Mr. Fountain. The latter wagon was slightly damaged.

—Yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Hodges in Ashton park, an informal reception was tendered Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Barnes. There were present many residents of this place, and several from the other Newtons.

—Dean William E. Huntington and Mr. Henry Haynie were numbered among the guests at the annual dinner of the Beech Tree, given by the New England Woman's Press Association at the Parker House, Boston, last Friday.

—G. Wilbur Thompson, successor to A. W. Snow, is evidently a live man, as one can see by visiting his store, which he is refitting and filling with kitchen furnishings, goods, that he will sell at the lowest living prices. Give him a call.

—Next Sunday evening Rev. E. Y. Mullins, pastor of the First Baptist church, will deliver the first in his series of sermons on "Great Moments in the opening of Great Careers." His subject will be "The Life of Joseph in Egypt."

—Mr. Stait of Newton Theological Institution gave an address on India last Sunday evening at the Baptist church at North Easton. Mr. Stait was an English soldier in India for years, and was converted at one of the missions there. He is now preparing for missionary work in India.

—Officer Seth I. Johnson has been detailed to mounted duty at Oak Hill and Thompsonville and reported for duty Monday. He is the third officer to be mounted during the past three months. Officer Johnson formerly covered a night route at Waban.

—A bowling contest is being played on the Bray alleys each Monday, Wednesday and Saturday evenings, for a record of the highest 15 strings. A large number of entries have been received, which includes some well known names. The contests thus far have proved quite interesting, and some still livelier matches are promised.

—At the regular monthly meeting of the Newton Centre Woman's Club, Friday morning, Jan. 29, the ladies had the rare privilege of listening to a paper by one of their own number. Mrs. John H. Sanborn read a charming paper entitled "Glimpses of Norway." By the aid of many fine photographs it was not difficult to follow the narrator on her journey to the "Land of the Midnight Sun." Mrs. Schumacher rendered a delightful violin solo.

—The Club of the Little Workers met at the house of Miss Gladys Corden on Wednesday, Jan. 28. This meeting was called to collect funds for the aid of the Chicago sufferers, the collection amounting to \$5.50. The names of this little club are president, Margaret Loring; vice-president, Margaret Flanders; treasurer, Gladys Corden; secretary, Esther Edgerton; Marie Bartleson, Maida Flanders, Dorothy Taylor, Mildred Frost, Ruth Langdon, Edith Bartlett, Hattie West.

—Nothing has been heard of the movement to establish a monument, a statue or some other form of memorial to the late Dr. S. F. Smith at this place, since the initial meeting of citizens of the city interested, which was held on a recent Monday. It was believed at that time that the former home of the deceased on Centre street could be purchased from the estate and retained as a repository for the furniture, library, desk, etc., of the famous author of "America," but no substantial progress is reported in the movement.

—Several Oak Hill residents complained to the S. P. C. A. this week that the animals in the barn of Charles McCollough on Dedham street were not properly cared for. Tuesday morning Agent Langdon of the society and Officer Taft of division 3 went to the barn to investigate the case. There they found several sick animals, which had evidently been neglected for some time and a number of dead pigs on the floor of the barn. McCollough was ordered to employ a veterinary surgeon at once under penalty of prosecution for cruelty to animals.

—Tuesday afternoon a runaway accident occurred on Willow street, near the engine house, which was for a time the cause of considerable excitement in this place. A horse, attached to a stage, ran away, and Mr. Marshall O. Rice, and driven by his coachman, was passing near Lyman street when the runaway caught in the electric car track and the vehicle was overturned. The driver was thrown out and slightly injured by the fall. The animal, after freeing itself from the vehicle ran away, but was later captured near Chestnut Hill. The sleigh was a complete wreck.

—Associates hall was well filled Monday evening by a large company of representative Newton Centre people, the attraction being a lecture on mountain scenery by Miss Peck. Her subject was "To the Summit of Mount Matterhorn." The speaker was introduced by Mr. A. H. Roffe, president of the Newton Centre Associates, and she gave a thrilling account of her perilous ascent to the summit of this famous mountain. A large number of handsome stereoscopic views thrown upon the canvass, added to the effect of her very entertaining discourse. The affair was given for

the benefit of the associates, and a neat sum was netted.

—Mr. B. F. Ferguson is in South Carolina.

—Mr. W. O. Knapp is out again after a slight attack of grippe.

—Mr. L. G. Keeler and family have taken a house on Homer street.

—Robert Brennan has opened a fish market in the Coolidge block on Centre street.

—Dr. Bartell of Centre street is expected home this week from a visit to his former home in Sherbrook, Quebec.

—Miss Florence Wood sails next Wednesday for the Bermuda Islands, where she will spend the month of February.

—The condition of Mr. Geo. E. Huse, of the firm of Murphy & Huse, who is ill at his home, remains about the same.

—The executive committee of the Newton tennis club is busy with preparations for its annual tournament, which will be held on the courts in Bray's hall, March 1. All the prominent tennis players of the country have been invited to compete, and acceptances have already been received from a number. The tournament matches will be in singles, but a number of exhibition matches in doubles are being arranged for.

—The young son of Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Bowen has been ill for the past few days.

—The next meeting of the Monday Club will be with Mrs. Holmes.

—Eddie Greenwood is confined to the house with an attack of the grippe.

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—The West End Literary Club will meet with Mrs. Waterhouse on Monday, Feb. 8.

—Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Spear have an addition to their family circle, by the birth of a son.

—Mrs. Hayward and Mrs. G. A. Moore have returned from their visit to Washington, D. C.

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—Mr. J. H. Wentworth was summoned home from his southern trip, on account of the sudden illness of one of his children, with an attack of the croup. On his arrival he was gratified to find his child much improved.

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—Mr. Herbert E. Locke is reported quite ill at his home on High street.

—Miss Crankshaw of Fall River is the guest of Mrs. Chas. Mills, Eliot street.

—Mr. William Hills and family, formerly of Boylston street, have removed to Waltham.

—There are letters in the post office for Edward T. Donovan, W. H. Fish and Randall E. Jenkins.

—J. W. Mitchell, coal and wood merchant, has moved to his business to Mr. I. W. Sweet of Milford.

—Mrs. James K. Hemphill of Boylston street announces a matinee whist at her residence tomorrow afternoon.

—The monthly supper of the Quinobiquin Association was held Tuesday evening in the club rooms on Chestnut street.

—Sleighing parties have been quite popular with the young people of this village, there being held different evenings this week.

—Charles G. Wetherbee, master of the Wade school, recently took the supervisors' examinations for Boston schools, and has been granted a certificate of qualification.

—Teams 1 and 3 will roll next Tuesday evening on the Quinobiquin alleys. Next Thursday evening a lively match is promised between the married and single men's teams.

—Sunday, while Dr. Hildreth and his daughter, Miss Hildreth, were driving at Newton Highlands, the runner of the sleigh caught in the car track, overturning the vehicle. Both were thrown out, but fortunately escaped unhurt. The horse freed itself from the sleigh and ran some distance before it was captured.

—There was a largely attended meeting of Echo Bridge council, Royal Arcanum, held in the lecture hall on High street, Wednesday evening, at which the following officers were installed: F. A. Skelton, regent; W. A. Leonard, vice-regent; A. A. Smith, past-regent; J. J. Kennefick, secretary; George W. Fisher, collector; H. A. Smith, orator; George Tambo, guide. After the exercises several informal speeches were made and light refreshments served.

—Mrs. L. P. Everett entertained the Pierian Club at her home on High street, on Wednesday afternoon of last week. The quotations from Whittier given in answer to the roll call, showed careful reading, and were well selected. A short review of the life of the poet Whittier, was read by Mrs. E. J. Hale. The current events of the day were also discussed. It was also interesting to learn in the items of currents events that Mr. John S. Sargent had been made a member of the Royal Academy.

—The Needham selectmen have granted a franchise to the Newton & Boston Street Railway Co. for an electric road from the boundary line at this place along Central avenue, Webster street, Hillside avenue, Hunnewell street, Highland avenue and Chapel street to Great Plain avenue. Webster street, from Central avenue to Hillside avenue, will need widening. The location, and the selectmen Wednesday morning notified the abutters that they would proceed to lay out the same and give a public hearing to the abutters on Thursday, Feb. 11, at 8 p. m.

—Wade hall was filled with a large company last Friday evening, at the eighteenth annual reunion of Grammar school graduates. There were present over 200 people including residents of this place, and many from out of town. Most of the were old pupils who came to renew old ties of school days. At 8 o'clock about 40 pupils of the school, under the direction of Mr. H. O. Billings, the children's opera, "The Boatman's Boy," was presented. Each child was attractively dressed in summer costume, and carried a basket of flowers. The handsome stage decorations, the music, the play, the address of the children produced a pleasing effect. A selection by the orchestra followed, after which Mr. Louis K. Harlow, of Waban, read a paper entitled "A Rabble Through Holland." After this, informal remarks were made by several of the former graduates present. The reading of the records was omitted. At 9 o'clock the door was cleared and dancing enjoyed until midnight. The committee of arrangements comprised John A. Gould, A. H. Dresser, C. Frank Osborn, A. W. Sherman, Mrs. Florence Rogers, Mrs. Bertha Billings and Miss Florence Hildreth.

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—Miss Helen Mead of Avon place has re-
covered from a slight illness.

—Theo. L. Mason's Sons have taken the
agency for the Columbia wheels.

—Bromide enlargements for amateurs,
made by E. E. Snyder, 43 Carleton street, 11.

—Mr. W. J. Henderson has leased the
house on Park street, opposite
Elmwood.

—Prof. George K. Morris, who has been
ill at his home on Wesley street is able to
be out again.

—Mrs. M. L. Blanchard, who has been
quite ill at her home on Thornton street is
much improved.

—President Sterling Elliott and Secre-
tary Bassett of the L. A. W., left Monday
for Albany, N. Y.

—Mr. Frank O. Barber was confined to
his home on Bennington street the first of
the week by illness.

—The two children of Mr. Fred King of
Bigelow terrace, have recovered from an
attack of diphtheria.

—Plumbing, steam and hot water heat-
ing, and Gas Fitting, Jas. H. McAdams,
10 Centre place, Newton.

—Newton Court, No. 60, Massachusetts
Foresters, will hold its 11th annual ball in
Armory hall, this evening.

—The second annual dance of the New-
ton Club will be held in Armory hall
on Washington's birthday.

—The Channing Union meet next Sun-
day evening. The subject will be, "Les-
sons of the Life of Lincoln."

—Miss Ethel Cooke of Dorchester was in
town this week, the guest of Miss Gertrude
Cummings of Richardson street.

—Mr. Henry Tupper of Truro, Nova
Scotia, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs.
Alfred Brush of Charlesbank road.

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—The Monday Evening club meet Feb-
ruary 15th at the residence of Mr. E. W.
Pope, on Haverhill street. Rev. E. H.
Byington will be the assistant.

—The "Chip In" club will meet Satur-
day evening at the home of Mrs. A. R.
Bailey on Richardson street. The subjects
will be "Twelfth Night," and "Valentine's
Night."

—The friends of Dr. Sidney R. Bartlett
may be interested to know that he and
Mrs. Bartlett are receiving congratulations
on the advent of twins in their family, a
girl and a boy, who arrived at their home
in Colorado Springs on Jan. 14th.

—The Social Science Club will hold a
meeting at the house of Miss Wilder, Fair-
mont avenue, Wednesday, Feb. 17th, at 8
o'clock a. m. Mrs. Mabel Loomis Todd
will give a paper on "In Aina Land with
an Exploring Expedition." Guests may be
invited.

—Jeremiah Reardon, a stone mason,
while working in the excavation near
Bellevue street, last Friday afternoon,
stepped on a loose stone and severely
sprained his ankle. He was attended by
Dr. Carroll, who ordered his removal to the
Newton Hospital.

—Mr. Clarence V. Moore of the N. A. A.
won second place in the annual meet-
ing of the B. A. A. in Mechanics hall, Boston,
last Saturday evening. The first man's
time was 4 minutes, 45 and 5-5 seconds win-
ning only by a few yards.

—The alarm from box 15 at 9:40 o'clock
last Friday evening was needless. It was
rung in for a small blaze in a house on
Baldwin street, owned by Mrs. Helen
Henry and occupied by Mrs. Wandless.
The cause of the alarm was the cause, and
the damage amounted to \$10.

—Mrs. Walter Hunnewell Stearns
directed the production of "Caste" by the
Unitarian church at that place last Friday
evening. The performance was one of
the best given by the club, and Mrs.
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—At the residence of Mrs. A. H. Barber
on Newtonville avenue last Monday even-
ing, some thirty relatives and friends
gathered, the occasion being "Sugar-
ing Off," which is held each year. The
maple sap was frozen on the snow and
then eaten by the company. The affair
was pronounced a success by all present.

—The Ministers' Union held an interest-
ing meeting at the residence of Mr. George
Linder at 9 o'clock Monday evening. The
attendance was good. The appointed
speakers were Dr. Patrick and Dr.
Shinn, and the subjects treated were, "The
Private and Public Life of the Chris-
tian Minister." The next meeting will be
held in Newton Centre, in March, when
Mr. H. W. Woods will speak on "Some As-
pects of Socialism."

—A social event of importance in this
place Tuesday evening, was a reception
at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George
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ton street. From 8 to 9 o'clock Mr. and
Mrs. Linder received informally, assisted
by Miss Linder. Later refreshments were
served and a musical program provided by
the Philharmonic Quartet, Mr. Clarence
Ashenden of Abundant, bass, and Miss
Laura Coffin of Newton, contralto.

—When the public schools an-
nounced that the dancing schools come into
conflict, which should
give way is a question that is now agitating
a large number of Newton people. The
school authorities think that it is the dan-
cing school and have made their rules ac-
cordingly, and the said rules are also of an
iron-clad nature. The next meeting they are
in accord with the rules of all good schools
everywhere, and the conflict is by no
means a new one. If scholars have any
spare time out of school hours, the school
authorities have no objections to their tak-
ing up such ornamental branches as their
parents may desire, but school hours must
be held sacred, or else there would be an
end to the usefulness of our school system.

—A subscription course of parlor en-
tertainments has been arranged by some of
the residents of Hunnewell hill, that prom-
ises to be very attractive. Mrs. Emma
Tuttle James has been engaged as the
reader, and several well known musical
people will contribute. The first in the
series was given at the residence of Mrs.
John L. Whiting on Tuesday, the 9th inst.
Mrs. James recited several selections, some
with music accompaniment, that were re-
ceived most favorably by the audience.
Her dialect readings deserve special men-
tion. The musical numbers were con-
tributed by the following artists: Miss
Minnie Wheeler, a member of the Cecilia
Club gave songs by Natchez and
Ribandi, with violin obligato by Mr. Geo.
A. Marsh; Professor Howard, associate
director of the Boston Conservatory of
Music, played his own compositions on the
piano and kindly accompanied Miss
Wheeler and Mrs. James. After the enter-
tainment the guests were invited to the
dining room to a dainty repast of ices,
cakes and chocolate. The frappe table
was presided over by Mrs. Will Whiting of
Brookline, Miss Emery of Waverley
avenue, poured, and Miss Alice Webber
and Miss May Harris served the refresh-
ments. The next in the course will be at
the residence of Mr. C. M. Tillinghast, on
the evening of March 24. Others who will

entertain later, are Messrs. C. H. B. Breck,
Edwin H. Rogers and Harry Sofield.

—Mrs. Emily B. Huff is confined to her
home on Caban street this week by illness.

—Fine French and hall clock repairing
in all branches at W. A. Hood's, 28 tf
French building.

—Fifty mattresses will be sold at a bar-
gain; hair, wool and soft top, by M. H.
Haase, 10 Centre place.

—The 24-T. Whist Club met with Miss
Maud Bush Tuesday evening, and an en-
joyable evening was passed.

—The flags were raised on all the public
buildings today, by order of Mayor Cobb,
in honor of Lincoln's birthday.

—The Neighborhood Circle meet this
afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Henry E. Cobb,
at her residence on Bellevue street.

—Invitations are out for an afternoon tea
at the residence of Mrs. W. H. Emery of
Ivanhoe street, next Wednesday afternoon,
from 4 to 6 o'clock.

—Rev. Mr. Hornbroke and Mr. Isaac
T. Burr were guests at the banquet of
the Boston Unitarian Club at Hotel Ven-
dome, Wednesday evening.

—Among the speakers at the special
afternoon services at Grace church, during
 Lent, will be Rev. E. Sullivan, Thurs-
day afternoons, and Rev. Holmes Whit-
more on Tuesday afternoons.

—The regular meeting of the Woman's
Home Missionary Society was held at the
Wesleyan Home on Wesley street, Monday
afternoon. The subject continued from
last meeting was "The Indians."

—The marriage of Mr. C. W. Keefe and
Miss Ellen Keefe, both of this city, will
take place Sunday at the parochial
residence of the Church of Our Lady. Mr.
Keefe is a well known produce dealer.

—The experience sociable of the Metho-
dist church will be held in Eliot lower hall,
on Wednesday evening, Feb. 24th. Each
one will receive a dollar or more for the
new church building fund.

—A meeting of Sunday school teachers
and others interested in Sunday school
work was held last Sunday evening in the
chapel of the Channing church. The
exercises included an address by the
pastor.

—The first in a course of six lectures on
"The Cathedrals of Great Cities," was
given this morning at the residence of Mrs.
Daniel S. Emery. The discourse was illus-
trated by photographs, and listened to by
a large number.

—The City Point Minstrel Club will give
a performance in the parochial school hall,
Church of Our Lady, next Thursday even-
ing. Already a number of tickets have
been sold, and the affair promises to be a
decided success.

—At the residence of Mr. L. L. Tower
on Newtonville avenue, Wednesday even-
ing, Miss Tower assisted by several young
ladies of the Methodist church, held a
silver tea and cake sale for the benefit of
the new church fund.

—At the Methodist church next Sunday,
services will be held at 10:30 and 7:30 in
charge of the pastor. The sermon will be
preached both morning and evening by
Prof. George K. Morris. The Epworth
League meeting will be at 6:30.

—The first in the series of whist parties
given by the Ladies Home Circle, will be
held at the Newton clubhouse next Thurs-
day afternoon. Tickets can be obtained of
Mrs. Anders of West Newton. They are
given for the benefit of the charity fund of
the Circle.

—Rev. Mr. Merrill, pastor of the Imma-
nuel Baptist church, was unable to con-
duct the services last Sunday, owing to
slight throat trouble. In his place Rev. E.
H. Byington preached. Next Sunday,
Prof. Rush Rhee of Newton Centre will
be in charge.

—The Boy's Club of Eliot church will
meet in the chapel next Thursday evening.
Prof. George W. Blodgett of the Massachu-
setts Institute of Technology, and Electrical
Engineer of the Boston & Albany rail-
road, will give an illustrated address on
"Modern Railroading."

—Messrs. Arthur D. Field and Oscar
Simmons left Wednesday night for New
York, where they took the Steamer Alle-
ghany for Costa Rica, Central America,
to spend the remainder of the winter. A
large company of their friends accom-
panied them to Boston to see them off.

—Richin's anthem, "The Lord is Great
and cannot worthily be praised," will be
sung by the choir of Grace church on Sun-
day night. This anthem is of an entirely
different style from the compositions of
the English school. It is a setting of the
old Italian school, and used to be
popular.

—At the Methodist church last Sunday,
in the morning, the pastor, Rev. Dillon
Bronson, preached a short sermon. The
Holy Communion followed, and five were
added to the church membership, two by
letter, and three on probation. In the
evening, Prof. Morris preached on "For-
giveness."

—The alarm from box 114, Wednesday,
just before 6 p. m., was for a fire at the
residence of Mr. P. A. Thayer, 120
street. While trying to light a lamp, the
head of a match broke off and went down
behind the table, setting the table cover on
fire, and considerable damage was done to
the room and portieres, before the
fire was put out. Engine one was stuck
on the electric railroad tracks and the cars
were delayed. The damage was about \$50.

—Monday evening, Mr. William B.
Jewett, a life-long resident of this place,
died at his home on Richardson street after
a long illness. He was 74 years old, and
had a large circle of acquaintances through-
out the city. He was a carpenter by trade,
but had retired from active business sev-
eral years ago. He leaves a wife and two
children, Mr. Asa Jewett of Newton
Centre and Mrs. Lizzie Adams of Medford.
The funeral services were held yesterday
afternoon from the chapel at the Newton
cemetery, and the interment will be in the
family lot at Medford.

—Miss Potwin, the violinist, who has re-
cently come to Newton to reside, is both
an artist and a fine teacher. Her study of
the violin began at an early age. In con-
sequence of her father's death, she was
graduated, so much talent did she evince,
that her teachers strongly advised her to go
Germany. She accordingly spent one year
in the Leipzig Conservatory under Brody
and Hans Sitt, and then after passing be-
fore Joachim and other professors, the
severe examination necessary, she was
chosen one of the limited number admitted
to the study in the Hoch Schule of Berlin.
Here she passed two valuable and studious
years under the instruction of Concert
Meister Herr Kruse. Besides this she had
the opportunity of playing in the orchestra
directed by Joachim. On her return to
this country in 1880, she took charge of the
Violin Dept. of Carleton College in Minn.,
where she remained for five years, accept-
ing a call to Cornell College, Iowa, whence
she has come East. Her playing is charac-
terized by deep feeling and warm tone ef-
fects as she proved to the satisfaction of
the audience at the recent concert given
for the Methodist church building fund

when she gave a masterly reading of Wag-
ner's Prize Song.

—Dr. James Utley is recovering from his
recent illness, and was able to be down
stairs Thursday.

—Newcomb & Snyder's express office at
231 Centre street, is open for business all
day. Telephone 238-4.

—The Ladies Afternoon Whist Club will
meet next Monday afternoon at the resi-
dence of Mrs. N. P. Cutler on Montrose
street.

—Co. C, 5th Regt., M. V. M., will be in-
spected next Monday evening at the Wash-
ington street armory, by Maj. Mosman of
the 5th infantry.

—The women's light brigade will assist
Ensign Walker at the Salvation Army
meetings, Saturday evening and Sunday at
11 a. m., 3 and 8 p. m.

—The first meeting of the second session
of the Y. M. C. A. Congress will be held
next Tuesday evening in Association hall.
Speaker J. L. Roll will preside.

—The doctors have been kept very busy
this week with an epidemic of grip, and it
is said that in some sections of the city
there are one or more cases in every family.

—Mr. Clarence V. Moore has become a
member of the Moore Lithograph Mfg. Co.,
which has succeeded the A. W. Moore Co.,
with an office at 36 Columbus avenue, Bos-
ton.

—Mr. Frank Wise, a conductor on the
B. & A., and a former resident of this
place, was in town Sunday visiting his
sister, Mrs. John D. Morgan of Maple
street.

—Col. W. D. Tripp was elected a dele-
gate to the National G. A. R. Encampment
at Buffalo, at the Worcester meeting this
week. Col. Tripp and Commander Whit-
more are the guests at the dinner to Gen.
Clarkson.

—At the residence of Mrs. Ezra J. Whiton
of Church street, Tuesday morning, Rev.
Mr. Hornbroke gave the fourth of his
conversations on the plays of Robert
Browning. His subject was "The Return
of the Druses."

—Dr. Judson's work in Newton closes to-
night, when a grand union meeting will be
held in the Association hall. Mrs. Nellie
Bakeman Donovan of Chelsea will return
next week and sing at Dr. Haynes' meet-
ings, to which everyone is invited.

—In the parlors of the Eliot chapel last
evening, the annual fellowship meeting
was held and attended by over 300 church
members. Supper was served, after which
the reports of the officers of the various or-
ganizations were read, and a social hour
followed.

—A merry party of about 30 young people
of the Baptist church enjoyed a sleigh ride
last Saturday evening. After a trip to
Lexington by way of Watertown and Wal-
tham, the company returned to Newton
about 10 o'clock, and enjoyed refreshments
at the residence of Mr. Stephen Moore on
Hunnewell Hill.

—At Association hall in the new Nonan-
tum, next Tuesday evening, the Y. M. C. A.
gymnasium members will hold an athletic
contest. Handsome prizes are to be award-
ed, and are now on exhibition at the rooms.
The public is cordially invited. The junior
basket ball team will play at Melrose to-
morrow afternoon.

—The Salvation Army will hold a free
public holiness meeting in the Baptist
church, at 3 o'clock, next Monday after-
noon, and a great demonstration in the Y.
M. C. A. hall at 8 p. m. Lieut. Col. Cozens
of Boston, assisted by some forty officers,
will be in command. A string and brass
band will furnish music.

—Music at Grace Church, Feb. 14—
7:30 p. m.
Processional—"O Mother dear, Jerusalem,"
Magnificat, Mann
Nunc Dimittis, Mann
Antiphon—"O how amiable are thy dwell-
ings," Richardson
Antiphon—"The Lord is great," Rhinini
Recessional—"Hark, hark, my son!"
Seats free to all.

—The bicycle firm of Carl Seelig & Co.,
has leased a store in Cole's block on Wash-
ington street. The new salesroom is in the
centrally located, and has been especially
prepared for an increased trade. On the
second floor will be kept a full line of
wheels, while in the basement a fully
equipped repair-shop has been arranged.

—Music at Eliot Church, Sunday, Feb.
14—
MORNING.
Organ Prelude, Gullmant
Anthem—"Great and marvelous," Bridge
Trio—"The Lord will comfort Zion," Brown
Organ Postlude, Lemmens

EVENING.
Organ Prelude, Lemmens
Anthem—"My shepherd is the living
God," Thayer
Solo—"Come, ye children, and hear,"
"unto me," from "The Prodigal Son,"
Sullivan
Organ Postlude, Meyerbeer

—The Boston & Albany has been a heavy
load of through freight car thieves,
who are operating between South Fran-
kingham and Boston. Numbers of cars ar-
rive in the Newton yards with the seals
broken and the contents rifled, and the
police are making a determined effort to
catch the thieves. They are of the opinion
that the cars are broken down en route,
and that the goods are thrown out in
Wellesley. Wednesday afternoon, Officer
J. J. Davis of division 2 found that a car in
the Washington street yard had been bro-
ken into and a bag of beans and a small
quantity of candy stolen.

—The annual meeting of the Grace
Church Choir Guild was held last evening
in the Guild hall. President E. S. Hamblen
presided, and about 20 members were pre-
sent. After considerable important busi-
ness had been transacted the following
officers were elected: E. S. Hamblen,
president; J. C. Elms, Jr., vice-president;
George L. Sibley, secretary; C. N. Sladen,
treasurer. A board of directors was chosen
which will include the officers of the Guild
and the following members: Mr. Brown
representing the men, Mr. George Bailey
representing the Guild and Master Willie
Hanson representing the boys.

—Mrs. Jerusha M. widow of the late
Isaac L. Kidder, died at her home on
Jewett street, Sunday, after a long illness.
The deceased had been a resident of New-
ton many years, and was a prominent
member of Eliot church, while her health
permitted. She was held in great esteem
for her many excellent qualities, and her
friends and neighbors have learned of her
death with great sorrow. She leaves one
daughter, Mrs. F. L. Clafin, of Marlboro.
The funeral services were held at her late
residence on Wednesday. Rev. Dr. Davis
officiated. There was a large attendance
of relatives and friends and many beau-
tiful floral tributes. The interment was in
the family lot at Mount Hope Cemetery.

Congregational Club.

The next regular meeting of the Newton
Congregational Club will be held in the
parlors and chapel of the Second Congrega-
tional church, West Newton, on Monday
evening, February 15, 1897.

The address of the evening will be given
by the Rev. Cyrus Hamlin, D. D., on
"Islam in Turkey."

NEWTON CLUB.

Whist furnished the entertainment at
the monthly "ladies' night" at the New-
ton club house Wednesday evening. Near-
ly 200 of the society set of the Newtons
were present, and whist was played at 40
tables in the large assembly hall. At 10
p. m. supper was served.

The prizes were awarded as follows:
Mrs. Clinton Hunter first, Mrs. J. G. Thomp-
son second, Mrs. H. B. Packard third, Mrs.
R. C. Brigham fourth, Mrs. A. G. Sher-
man fifth, Mrs. Samuel Manning sixth, Mrs.
H. J. Vinal seventh, and Mr. C. F. Cheney
eighth.

Through the courtesy of Mr. G. W. Bis-
hop, of the Railroad Commission, the mem-
bers of the Newton Club are invited to
meet at the entrance to the Subway, in the
Public Garden, opposite Chaworth street,
Saturday, Feb. 13th, at 3 p. m. sharp, for
an inspection of the same. The party will
be accompanied by Mr. Swain, Engineer
of the R. R. Commission.

The women of Newton club members'
families were entertained in the assembly
hall of the clubhouse Tuesday afternoon
with an address on "The Art of Conversa-
tion," by Mrs. Florence Howe Hall.

On Saturday evening a special meet-
ing of the club will be held to take action
on the proposed amendments to the bylaws
providing for the establishments of an
athletic membership.

The governing committee of the club
has issued several hundred invitations for
the annual dinner dance to be held at the
clubhouse at Newtonville on Monday
evening, Feb. 22. Dinner will be served at
6:30, and dancing will be in order from 9 to
1.

For the Charles River Park.

A special meeting of the Abundant Im-
provement Society was held in Auburn
Hall last evening. President Hardy oc-
cupied the chair, and there was a large at-
tendance of members.

On motion of Quincy Pond, resolutions
were adopted indorsing the bill now pend-
ing before the legislature, appropriating
\$500,000 for the purchase of land for the
metropolitan park system in the Charles
river valley. A committee, consisting of
E. E. Hardy, Quincy Pond, A. C. Farley,
Nathaniel Dike, W. A. Knowlton and Rev.
E. E. Strong was appointed to appear
before the legislative committee this morn-
ing in furtherance of the bill.

The following resolution on motion of
Mr. Pond was adopted: That the Abun-
dant Improvement Society is heartily in
favor of taking the banks of the Charles
river as a public reservation and maintain-
ing the water of the river at fixed levels, as
recommended in the report of the joint
boards of the metropolitan park commis-
sion and state board of health.

Several speakers spoke against granting
the Newton street railway a location on
Lexington street, which in places, Mr. Geo.
L. Chandler said, was only thirty feet
wide.

Ex-Alderman Johnson was very im-
pactive in opposing the location. This
street railway had always been a great ex-
pense to the city. He had no faith in the
city company, and he was especially
opposed to the location of the Newton street
railway. The city was now spending
\$800,000 to widen Washington street for
the benefit of the company. No tracks
should be laid in a street that was less than
fifty feet wide.

Ex-Alderman Alther Plummer also pro-
tested against granting a location, they had
been refused once, but with every new city
scheme they tried to force it.

On motion of Mr. Farley a resolve was
passed that the society reaffirm their pro-
test at the June meeting, against the con-
struction of a street railroad on a street less
than fifty feet wide.

After several remarks from other speak-
ers a motion of Mr. Plummer's was carried,
that the secretary send a copy of the
records of the meeting, also a copy of the
June resolve to the city clerk with the re-
quest that they be read at the meeting of
the board of aldermen, Monday night.

A resolve was adopted against spend-
ing any building regulation of the city for
buildings on Commonwealth avenue.

After remarks upon the petition for the
improvement of Lexington street, now on
file at City Hall, the meeting adjourned.

Radcliffe College Glee Club.

On Wednesday, Feb. 24, a concert will be
given by the Radcliffe College Glee Club,
the Harvard Pierian Sodality and Master
Henry Donlan. This concert marks an
epoch in the history of both Harvard and

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SELVES PENNILESS—SOME CHURCHES
AND THEATRES IN DRESDEN.

Dresden, Dec. 26, '96.

Any one newly come into Vienna at this time of the year, latter part of December, looking up at the lofty houses which line the streets, would think at once that snow had come and been driven by the wind, and had settled on the window sills. It is not snow that is seen, but a white border of feathers some 8 inches high and 3 or 4 in thickness, set in between the window sills, to help keep out wind and snow and rain and dust. It may be European custom but I notice it here for the first time, perhaps because of the season.

Are you fond of roasted chestnuts? You need not go without them in this city. At hundreds of street corners the roasters are found. A cylindrical sheet-iron vessel, standing on three or four iron legs and having a diaphragm across it about midway between top and bottom, is the roaster. A man belongs to it. He keeps up the fire below, and stirs the chestnuts with his fingers, till they yawn with the heat and with open mouths invite you to take and eat. Not chestnuts only, but apples and potatoes are roasted there, and offered to hungry passers. Chestnuts are much used and in various dishes served at tables in Vienna makes a specialty of leather goods. They can nowhere else be had at less price, or of better quality. As a dealer, F. W. Papka, of Neumann street, can be commended for telling the truth about the quality of the leather in the wares he keeps for sale. You may expect him, however, to be like many another merchant in the world and to have one price which he asks, and another which he will take rather than have a customer leave the store without purchasing.

A young woman came today to see Mr. Sanborn. As he was not in, she told me her wish and her story. A Hungarian by birth, she had gone to New York with mother and sister, and had with them worked and made her living, and a little more. Her sister, she would spend a vacation visit to her native place. Sick at sea, a kind lady cared for her till they reached Hamburg, when the friend having stolen all her money and her references, suddenly decamped. For five months she had lived on what jewelry she had, and had not been able to find employment. Seeing Mr. Sanborn's name and address in the paper she came to see if happily he was going back to America, and would like her as governess of his children on the way home. I could but feel sorry for the girl, but had to tell her that Mr. Sanborn has no children, and is not going home in a hurry. I advised her to see the American Consul. She had seen him and found he could do nothing for her. I then gave her the address of the American Minister, and she left. I do not know if she did or not, but I think not. She says she has thought of suicide. Not long ago, a young American woman did commit suicide in the consular office. Two days ago I was asking in the house where I could buy some post stamps. A fine looking young lady told me she was going past a place, and would gladly show. I accepted her escort, and she kindly went in with me and speak German for me. On the way she said she was born in New York of German parents. She interested me by her whole appearance, and I inquired who she was. It was told that she taught music in the house to the young daughter of the family. I was told that she is a lovely young woman, who came from New York as companion and governess to a lady, who turned out to be no lady, who deserted her here, and ran off with some officer. The poor girl is struggling to earn enough to pay her way home, but she does not confide her troubles to every American she sees. She has, however, education, and can find something to do, while the one first mentioned has not such resources, having been employed in some capacity in some New York.

Knowing your interest in the builders art, I have applied myself, you will wonder how diligently and exhaustively, to the study of styles, at least, to that of the terms and phrases culled from original sources in Greece and Italy, and other parts of the civilized world, and applied in the world of architecture. "Iococo," "Baroque," "Gothic," "Renaissance," "French," "German," "Renaissance," "Renaissance" will not answer at all. If you find any of those or other such terms in the pages of description, which I shall write, pray, do not try to overdo above what is written, but sit still and admire. I must speak of churches, and monuments, and palaces. I will begin with the churches, and select the church of St. Stephen, the proto-martyr, as the most notable one in the city as the first. Happily some one has done much of the work for me. It is called the centre of the city. All streets are supposed to diverge from it, so that in numbering the buildings on any street, the numbers begin at the end nearest this church, the even numbers on the right and the odd on the left. This cathedral church is the most prominent church in Vienna, and one of the most magnificent structures. Its tower is 456 feet high. Its architecture is mainly Gothic, but partly Romanesque, as on the western front, where are some remains of the parochial church, which was burned in 1258, and rebuilt in Romanesque style. The present building was completed in 1560, but began in 1380—the work hitherto done was time—now a choir coming along, and then a nave and tower, and then vaulting, then nothing for a while. But all the parts came and here fully framed and joined together, compact with what every part supplies. Some descent of architectural mantle from generation to generation, as builder after builder went up to the house not made with hands. The mantle rested last upon the shoulders of Baron Schmidt, who departed in 1891. For restorations and reconstructions have been required in these later days. The church is about 300 feet long and about 65 in width. The form is that of the Latin cross. The walls are of stone and the roof is covered with colored glazed tiles.

On the west front is the "Giant Gate," on the right and left of which are towers called "Heaven Towers," each over 200 feet in height. There are several other gates and entrances to the towers and the church. Within these are three naves, one central, and two lesser lateral ones. The high altar is of polished black marble, and it has an altar-piece representing the stoning of Stephen. The choir also divided into one central and two lateral ones, contains richly carved stalls, dating from the 15th century. In this church are buried the imperial intestines, the imperial bodies, going to rest in the Capucine sepulcher, while the imperial hearts find repose in the

chapel of St. Austin's Parochial church. The sarcophagus of Frederic III, died 1493, made of red and white marble, is in one choir; in the women's choir are the monuments of Duke Albert III, died 1385, and of his wife.

The painted glass windows, very beautiful, are modern, with two exceptions. The happily frustrated assault on the Emperor 1858 is commemorated by a Gothic altar in Barbara chapel. The funeral monument of Prince Eugene of Savoy is in another chapel.

Above the Great Gate is the music choir with organ loft built in 1728. In the tower are five bells, the largest one of which weighs 4000 lbs. and was cast in 1711.

Under the cathedral are catacombs, sketched cellars. These extend out under neighboring streets and houses.

Not only the cathedral bears the name of St. Stephen, and claims his protection, but in it, which it stands a seat of most lively traffic. The saint is also invoked as the presiding genius in a restaurant called "St. Stephen's Cellars."

My notice of other churches must be brief. The "Votive Church," in honor of the most beautiful I have seen in the city. It stands outside the Ring street, but fronts it. It is not in the centre of the roar of traffic, nor is it huddled close by lofty buildings. The chapel, Maximilian, who sat in Mexico on the points of bayonets, and was shot to death there, suggested the building of this church as a votive offering of gratitude for the emperor's escape from the assassin's life in 1858. Maximilian's name is given to the Platz in front.

The style is the purest Gothic. The two beautiful, exquisite towers are 95 meters in height. The church was begun in 1868, and finished in 1878, and dedicated the day of the emperor's silver wedding, April 24, 1879.

The work within is in keeping with the rich adornment of the exterior—the windows, the altar, the chapels, the choir, the statues, everything. The building is 55 by 36 meters.

The Karlskirche, in the 11th District, was built by Emperor Charles VI, in honor of St. Charles Borromeo, in fulfillment of a vow made on the occasion of the plague. It is in baroque style, and maintains a noble appearance. It has an imposing oval cupola, resting on 6 Corinthian columns. The most striking feature is found in the two Doric pillars which stand in front on each side of the portico. They are high and large, and show signs of ascending spirals, scenes in the life of St. Borromeo.

The church of St. John of Nepomuk I must mention not because of the church itself, but because of the saint who is the patron saint of Bohemia; concerning his life and death, we have chiefly oral traditions, which says he was born about 1380 in the small Bohemian city of Nepomuk, was educated in the University of Prague; that he preached in the Tein church in Prague; was advanced to a position of honor under King Wenzel IV, and became father confessor of Queen Johanna. Then because he persistently refused to reveal secrets confided to him by the Queen at the confessional, in spite of the king's repeated threats, he was, on the evening before the assent of the king, thrown from the bridge into the Moldau. A pretty legend.

All that history knows is one John of Nepomuk (Pomuk properly) who in 1383 was canonized by Pope Benedict XIII in 1728. Long before that the people revered him as protector against calumny and suspicion, and because he found his death in the flood, he is regarded as protector against scarcity of water. His memorial day, May 16, is still observed in the University as church and people's festival.

The Augustin church should be visited to see the most beautiful piece of sculpture in Vienna—the tomb of Archduchess Maria Christina, who died in 1888, a masterpiece of Canova's, in marble. It is a pyramid almost 9 meters high and covered with noble sculptures. Christina was a daughter of Emperor Francis II, and one of the oldest in the city, as it dates from 1220; it was restored in 1890. It is rich in sculptures, among them that of Metastasio, court poet of Charles VI. Its architectural style is a mixture of the Gothic and Romanesque. On the south side, exterior, is a polychrome relief representation of the Mount of Olives. If you are near, go and see it. There are 34 others, and more too, maybe, I pass them by.

Of theatres and opera houses, which here in Vienna may be considered sub-churches, I can say nothing but have visited them. Externally the Imperial Court Theatre and the Imperial Opera House are of the most beautiful structures in the city; as the others go to the opera tomorrow night, and they may give some idea of the decorations, and of the character of the music. The opera is a new one, a year old; an American young lady is to sing. We shall leave here, I fear, before I have seen and done all I wish to see and do, as the others are very anxious to get to Venice before New Year's, to see the festivities there. We have three more days, however, and I know pretty well what I have seen, but really I am not sure that I remember what I have written.

SOME FOUNTAINS IN DRESDEN.

1. The John George Fountain, which stands before the "Johanneum," a museum. Out of the basin rises a goddess of victory, bearing a banner and a laurel wreath. On the side of an inscription, which for the heroic share which the Saxon army took in the relief of Vienna in Sept. 1683. Under Fieldmarshal Flemming the Saxons stormed the Silesian fortress, the key to the Turkish position. The monument, which once stood in the new market and had been erected in memory of the peace of Westphalia was additionally dedicated to the emperor Frederick III, as memorial of the victorious elector, John George III and his army.

2. The fountain of the Nymph on Matke platz, was erected in 1860. Out of the lotus leaves rises a woman, on whose breast are placed four sea tigers spouting water; the upper bowl bears a bronze group which represents a nymph with a Triton.

3. The Goose Fountain. This stands on Ferdinand Platz. It shows a traveling scholar of the 16th century as a goose thief. He holds his booty under his arm while two other frightened geese are flying away with outspread wings. The figure is of bronze; the parts below are of granite.

4. The Gutschmidt Fountain on the Post Platz. I have mentioned before. The people call it, for some reason, Cholera Fountain. It is 18 meters high and has a Gothic spire. Upon it are four figures; one of them is St. Elizabeth. It was completed in 1847.

5. The George Fountain, on the south front of the Church of Sophia, was completed in 1886. Out of an octagonal basin rises the pedestal, with the figure of St. George, who sets his right foot on the neck of the conquered dragon and thrusts his sword into its scabbard. Eight small dragons on the pedestal are turned into water spouts. It is of bronze, cast in Dresden.

heavy square pillars. Behind the altar are two small chapels, and under the tower are two more. The interior, to give a rude figure of it, is as if upon a large dry goods box were placed a deep shoe box across lengthwise. 78 statues of saints adorn the interior, placed around the two portions, represented by the two boxes. The church attracts notice and grows more interesting the more it is studied.

2. The Frauenkirche mentioned above. It attracts by its form and by its bomb-proof dome. It was built between 1726 and 1745, of pure freestone, and it successfully resisted the Prussian bombardment of 1760. There is a fine organ of 44 registers and 2607 pipes. It was the original plan to set an obelisk on the mighty cupola, but it was never done.

3. Church of St. Sophia, evangelical. It arose in 1351 in the place of the Barefoot cloister chapel. In 1339 it was given over to the evangelical service, was renewed in 1602 by Electoral Princess Sophia, widow of Christian I.

4. The Anne church, named for "Mother" Anne (died 1585), whose statue stands behind the church. The property of the church and the English and the Scotch churches, and many others less worthy of mention. No, I must add the Russian church and the Jewish synagogue and the American (Episcopalian) church of St. John.

So much, as Herodotus would say, perhaps, for churches in Dresden.

VIENNA.

Something tells me I ought to speak respectfully of the Austrian powers that be, and to such manner of speech I am well inclined, for I am quite sure that the Emperor is a good man, who will be subjects as much as an emperor can. I believe he bears upon his heart a great burden of care for his people. He has certainly tried to make his subjects happy, and he has given them pleasure gardens, and the "Prater" is at his service. The Prater is an Imperial park, of nearly 5000 acres, lying between the Danube ("regulated") and the Danube canal. It is the property of the Emperor. It was formerly reserved for hunting purposes. The last stags were shot in 1869, and all game was killed off to prevent damage to woods and farms.

The Prater is now the favorite promenade. The part lying south of the principal alley is covered with numerous little inns, circuses, curiosity shops and a summer theatre. A foot or horseback, or on wheels one may wander there for hours, and be happy, thanks to the Emperor.

The present Emperor, I am told, for I have had no opportunity to confer with him upon the subject, has very much at heart the purity of the language, the German language. For instance, I have heard in other German speaking provinces and kingdoms, the word "billet" (bill) used by the Emperor, who is a subject of the theatre, or the cars, and by conductors. But here in Austria ticket-sellers and conductors are forbidden to use the word, but some compound of German primitives have been spoken and written instead. For the cars say Fahrkarte. So in other matters. Students tell me they must say sauerstoff instead of acid. Very good. The English Member, into which have crept or come running all manner of two-footed or four-footed or polypoid creatures from all quarters of the globe, and some other factions of it, must not serve the Austrian Emperor as a model of the present state must be maintained in its purity by careful breeding. Yet the people say acid and billet, and so on, and the world still spins its cold course, upsetting and setting up, at its will, in languages and dynasties.

I have tried to inform myself in a matter probably well known to you, the sources of Austria's revenue. They are several, and I will here mention some of them: 1. direct tax; 2. a bread tax, I should call it (a tax on consumption), hotels, pensions, restaurants, and the like, must be licensed; 3. the salt monopoly; 4. the tobacco monopoly. Every cigar shop under government inspection, and is a sub-post office for the sale of stamps. 5. stamps on all manner of things; 6. duties. Not a free-trade country, a "tariff" exists on the continent; 7. post offices and telegraph offices, and I think of nothing more just now. In these ways several hundreds of millions of florins are picked up every year for the needy members of the Imperial household, and for a large hungry army, and public improvements, including new palaces.

Preparations for Christmas go on apace as the little daughter of Mr. Fred Webber, Holland, Mass., had a very bad cold and cough which he had not been able to cure with any thing but Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Says W. P. Holden, merchant and postmaster at West Bridgford, and the next time I saw him he said it worked like a charm. This remedy is intended especially for colds, throat and lung diseases such as colds, croup and whooping cough, and it is famous for its cures. There is no danger in giving it to children for it contains nothing but purest medicine. For sale by Arthur Hudson, Newton; B. Billings, Newton Upper Falls; E. F. Partridge, Newtonville; J. H. Green, Newton Highlands.

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ANOTHER FATALITY.

JAMES ARMITAGE KILLED IN THE B. & A. EXCAVATION AT WEST NEWTON—TWELFTH VICTIM SINCE WORK OF DEPRESSION BEGAN.

Another was added Saturday afternoon, to the long list of fatalities in the Boston & Albany excavation since the work of depressing the tracks was begun. The twelfth victim was James Armitage, who met his fate in the cut between Putnam and Highland streets at West Newton, about 4.15 o'clock. He was standing on the temporary track in the excavation when he was struck by gravel engine 105, in charge of Engineer L. B. Sanborn and Fireman Barnes. He was horribly mutilated and death must have been instantaneous. The trainmen are unable to account for the accident. They say that the man suddenly appeared on the track, only a few yards from the engine, when it was too late to stop the train.

The body was picked up by the trainmen and carried to the West Newton station. The remains were viewed by Medical Examiner Meade of Watertown. No one recognized the body as that of James Armitage, until Monday morning, and it was removed to the hospital morgue. The delay in discovering the identity of the man is remarkable, inasmuch as a score or more of persons, friends of the body within a few hours of the accident. Monday morning the remains were positively identified by Daniel Murphy, a former fellow-workman at Cate's stable, as that of James Armitage. The latter had been missing from his home since Saturday afternoon, and it did not occur to his friends that he might have met his death in a spot so familiar to him.

He was about 21 years old, unmarried, and a very popular West Newton young man. He was born in that place and educated in the public schools. He was for a number of years in the employ of S. F. Cate, and at the time of his death was employed by W. H. Mague. His home was on Chestnut street where he resided with his parents and brothers and sisters. "Funeral services" were held Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock at St. Bernard's church, and were largely attended by the friends and associates of Mr. Armitage. The requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. C. J. Galligan, and the interment was in the Waltham cemetery.

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Some Important Testimony.

(Springfield Republican.)

Col. A. B. Farquhar, manufacturer of agricultural implements at York, Pa., has sent a letter to the tariff ripers at Washington, which, it is safe to say, they will not have published. He speaks of his own large export trade in steel plows, and wants to know how it is possible on the high-tariff theory, for him to sell at a profit against English plows in neutral markets and pay higher wages for labor. He explains:

Since our business affords enough profit to justify continuance in it, and the profits of our English rivals are not inordinate, the only possible conclusion is that there is less labor cost in our plows than in theirs. This fact of cheaper labor, which is demonstrated by actual observation in my business, supported by similar observation in many other businesses, enjoying the advantage of more efficient machinery and superintendence, must necessarily apply to all labor employed on exportable products. When our manufacturer exports a plow, as I have already said, is especially highly paid, by the day; and it is exactly this high paid labor that is really the cheapest labor. What is called "pauper" labor—that kind that is ill-compensated—is practically a very dear kind. Every sagacious manufacturer having a piece of work which brings him particularly low profit, on which economy in every kind of cost is particularly necessary puts his best paid workmen on just that piece; if he dreams of sparing labor cost by doing otherwise he simply converts his margin of profit into a net loss.

The Wilson law swept all duties on agricultural implements, and Col. Farquhar declares that if he could not keep on his feet under these conditions he should conclude that he was not fit to conduct that business. Our largely increasing exports of manufactures, he reminds the committee, show what we might do under a more extended free list of raw materials.

Whist Party of the B. & A. R.

Saturday afternoon, in the assembly hall of the Newton club-house at Newtonville, nearly 125 of the prominent society set of the city enjoyed a whist party under the management of the Newton chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. A large number of members of the Sarah Hull chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, were present. Whist was played at 20 tables, and prizes were won as follows: First, Mrs. Clark of Waban; second, Mrs. Edward Merch of West Newton; third, Mrs. Richard Anders of West Newton; fourth, Miss Florence Stuart of Abundant; fifth, Miss Meade of Newton Centre; sixth, Mrs. Stone of Waban.

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COSTLY SILVERWARE

EXPENSIVE OBJECTS WHICH ARE KEPT PILED UP IN VAULTS.

Uselessness of High Priced Silverware Set Forth—Troubles It Causes to Its Owners—The Story of a Succession of Wedding Presents.

"See the elegance of the curves, the simplicity and purity of the lines," said the melancholy silversmith, holding aloft the teapot. "What perfection of grace! What perfection of form!"

The lady craned her head about and shifted her long net as her eyes followed with eager interest the twirlings of the silversmith's long, slender hand, which was used to point out the various beauties of the object. His expression deepened as he noted these signs of attention.

The man's melancholy had reached such a degree that the lady, impelled perhaps by the desire of administering consolation, said she would take the set.

The silversmith shrugged his shoulders as the lady went out and gave an outward sweep of his hand as if denying all responsibility in the matter. Then he attempted to justify himself to his confidant.

"Why will people do such things?" he demanded. "Why will they buy such things? Will they never learn that silverware is either the biggest burden they can lay upon themselves or else the most useless possession? Jewelry is had enough, but people get used to it. Of course when a woman gets costly jewels they haunt her day and night at first. She has to send them to the safe deposit vault the moment she takes them off. If they are of extraordinary cost, she wants watchmen and private detectives hovering about her when she wears them. She may send for the police when she gives a party. But in most cases she gets over this feeling in time, and instead of dreaming of burglars she treats her jewels with an unconcern which some people might call carelessness."

"But with silverware it is different. Sometimes, when I am more depressed than usual, I think it is the most useless thing that was ever invented. We silversmiths spend days and nights elaborating our art and turn out beautiful objects, worthy to challenge the admiration of the world, and what becomes of them? They are sent down here," stamping his foot on the floor. "They are put into the vaults on our cellar, and human eyes seldom rest upon them. Talk about excavating in the ruins of Troy, the rubbish of Athens, for beautiful objects!" he exclaimed, with a snort of disgust. "Why not excavate in the silversmith's vaults and the safe deposit vaults of New York right here?"

"Let me tell you an instance," he resumed when his melancholy allowed him to speak again. "Thirty years ago one of the rich men of New York went to Europe and there saw a magnificent tea service of silver, which he bought for \$11,000, and when he returned home he presented it to the man who was his most intimate friend. The friend valued the tea service not only on account of the friendship that gave it to him, but also for its own sake, but what could he do with it? Life even among the rich was far plainer than it is today, and even today what could a man do with an \$11,000 tea service? So he did what seemed the most sensible thing to do under the circumstances. He sent the whole outfit here for safe keeping, and I don't suppose it's been out of our vaults half a dozen times since."

"But that isn't all. A couple of years ago the daughter of the man who went to Europe got married. The intimacy between the two families had been kept up and increased, and the friend, who is a very rich man, now made up his mind to show his friendly feelings by giving the daughter the finest wedding present he could procure. Now, his tea service was originally a very fine one. During all the years it has been buried in our vaults tradition has been having a chance to magnify its beauty, until now it is held in the two families to be the most magnificent thing in the world, and its owner, in searching about for a wedding present for his friend's daughter, could conceive of no finer idea than to have made an exact copy of his own tea service. We made it. We could have improved on the originals in workmanship, but he didn't want that done, so we made an exact copy. The cost was \$8,000; so he saved something. Now, what was the bride to do with all this mass of silver? What but send it here to lie in darkness alongside of the other set, and here it has been ever since it was displayed at the wedding to the admiration and wonder of the guests. That was its one public appearance. I have no doubt that when one of the grandchildren of the owner of the first set is married in a few years she will feel it her duty to have a third set made as a wedding present. Then it will be sent to us to take care of along with the other two."

"I don't see why you should complain," remarked the man to whom all this had been addressed.

"I'm not complaining, but do you call it common sense? It is profitable for me, and I cannot see that my conscience should reproach me for the part I take in it, but such things make me tired. Think of the woman who just left. Her husband will pay between \$1,200 and \$1,500 maybe for a tea set for her, and she will keep it at her house for awhile and then send it to us. Where is the sense of that?"

"But some people do keep their silverware at home and enjoy it," the other man insisted.

"They keep it at home, but they don't enjoy it. I am talking now of people whose silver is valued by the thousands of dollars, who have massive objects and works of art for ordinary use. What enjoyment do they get out of it? They may have vaults built in their houses, and the bigger and stronger the vault the greater source of worry it is to them. They are worried by burglar alarm companies, and by watchmen's companies, and by rival safe companies, and by detective agencies, and every time they hear of a burglary they have cold shivers for a week, and they can't see a tramp come to the basement door without a tremor. If a vault fails to give people a feeling of security, where are the people who have only a safe? You must see that the only course giving anything near absolute security is to send the silver to some semi-public place of deposit, where men and electricity and clocks are ever on guard. Then, in that case, what is the use of owning the silver?"—New York Sun.

Discarded Superstition.
"De away with your besotted superstition," pleaded the missionary.
"Oh," said the king of Mbwika, "if you insist, I will. I was just about to say that you were the thirteenth missionary who had landed here this year, perhaps I had better not—but have your own way."

Why dwell longer on the scene?—Indianapolis Journal.

Emergency Hospital Benefit.

A number of representative business men will extend to the Boston Emergency Hospital on the afternoon of Thursday Feb. 18, at the Boston Theatre, a theatrical benefit graced by many of the leading members of the dramatic profession, who will present a long and varied bill of a superior order of excellence.

The Boston Emergency Hospital has become in six years one of the state's most popular institutions, a free and untrammeled medical and surgical service, within access to all, being constantly vouchsafed by day and night, by surgeons who live on the hospital premises and are ready for the patient at an instant notice. The Hospital is located in the centre of Massachusetts, travelling population and industry to those whose life and health are mainly determined by the speediness with which they are brought within means of relief. There are few persons of Newton, who have not some special knowledge of the wide scope and aptitude of the Hospital's work in the relief and prevention of suffering. It is claimed by its friends that no institution in Massachusetts has accomplished one tithe of the actual service for the working people of Newton, that has the Emergency.

Here is most assuredly a splendid opportunity to make return by those who in their hour of injury and misfortune have shared the Hospital's beneficence.

"She: 'It seems almost impossible that you should love me.' He: 'That's what my mother says. How nicely you and she will get along if you always agree like that.'—Harlem Life.

"No, Mr. Coolhand," she said kindly, "I am sure I could never learn to love you." "Oh, perhaps you could," replied W. L. Hill, cheerily. "Never too old to learn, you know."—Tit-Bits.

Fashionable Doctor: "John, try and find out from Baroness Landrath's servants what summer resort she would like to go to next summer, so I may know what to prescribe for her."—Flegende Blatter.

Domestic Cruelty: "I saw Mrs. Higby standing at the window weeping." "I don't blame her," Mr. Higby was cleaning the pavement with that hand-painted snow shovel she gave him Christmas."—Chicago Record.

The Humanly Feminine:—"Yes," exclaimed the elephant, bitterly, "they have gone and educated my wife to almost human intelligence, and now she doesn't know how to get along with one trunk any more."—Detroit Journal.

Intuition:—She started affrightedly from her slumber. "There's a man in the house," she cried, "impossible!" "It's a very advanced woman," that was to say, her intuition could not be wholly at fault.—Detroit Journal.

George: "I heard mother tell father the other day she'd found out where the shoe pinched. I wonder what she meant?" "Diddle!" I dunno, but if she'd said she'd found out where the slipper stung I'd have known."—London Figaro.

Well, I won't hurt: that was what said it, so as I had just been giving old Towser his dinner, and he was great on catching in his mouth anything that you threw to him, I rolled up the molasses candy into a piece about as big as a small sized egg, and I said to Towser, said I, "Hi, Towser, old boy; catch it, Towser." The next moment it dropped into his mouth. Well, you ought to have seen the time Towser had. It was just about like the time I had with the green corn balls. I couldn't help thinking that when it came to green corn balls or green molasses candy it is better not to take too big a bite of either. When they are fully ripe, they are, however, as old Toby Hill used to say, "The healthiest yarb that grows."

SNAKE FALLACIES.

Queer Beliefs in the Transformation of Human Beings into Serpents.

As an illustration of the belief in the transformation of human beings into serpents, I will relate a circumstance said to have occurred during the first half of the present century. Near Trenton, in Lehigh county, Pa., dwelt a farmer named Weller. His wife and three daughters had, by some means or other, incurred the enmity of a witch who lived but a short distance away, when the latter, it is supposed, took her revenge in the following manner: Whenever visitors came to the Weller residence, the girls, without any premonition whatever, would suddenly be changed into snakes, and after crawling back and forth along the top ridge of the waistscoting for several minutes they were restored to their natural form. This curious transformation occurred quite frequently, and the circumstances soon attained widespread notoriety. About the end of the third month the spell was broken and everything went on as before.

Another popular fallacy is the existence of the hoop snake. This creature is usually reported as capable of grasping the tip of its tail with its mouth, and like a hoop running swiftly along in pursuit of an unwelcome intruder. This snake is believed, furthermore, to have upon its tail a short, poisonous horn, like a cock's spur, and that if it should strike any living creature death would result. The stories concerning this marvelous snake usually end with the statement that the person pursued barely escapes, and that the snake strikes a tree instead of causing it to wither and die.—Popular Science Monthly.

Too Much Smelling Salts.

A Philadelphia chemist is the authority for the statement that it is easy and common for women to indulge too freely in the pleasurable effects of smelling salts. If sniffed habitually, the olfactory nerves speedily become less sensitive to their pungency and demand, for effect, a stronger and stronger dose, till the one finally needed is positively hurtful and numbing. He cites in proof that he has customers who bring an assortment of smelling bottles to him every few days for replenishing, their virtue to these thoroughly seasoned women having quickly departed.

Bell in the Contribution Box.

Alice Morse Earle tells in The Atlantic of one church where the contribution box used contained a small bell concealed in it, which would ring only when a contribution was made. The collection was usually taken during the sermon, and no stinging churchgoer could fail of detection.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Diplomacy.

"You don't mean to say that that stingy old maid has given you 10 shillings for telling her fortune?"
"Indeed I do. I told her she would meet with an accident before she was 24 years old."—London Answers.

Saw the Stars.

"Were you at the actors' reception the other afternoon?"
"You bet. I got into an altercation with the door tender, who hit me, and I tell you I saw stars for awhile."—Philadelphia North American.

CIRCUIT LEAGUE BOWLING.

LIVELY MATCHES THIS WEEK IN WHICH NEWTON CLUBS ARE PROMINENT.

The B. A. A. quintet, which has been leading the race in the Circuit league for many weeks, took a cropper last Friday evening. It was B. A. A.'s first defeat in the series, and it was rubbed in a bit by being on the home alleys. As a result of this defeat, Newton Boat Club, is in as good a position as B. A. A.

Newton Highlands won the match by 81 pins, and got this margin by bowling a more effective first and cleaner second ball. Neither team got much in the way of totals, although Newton Highlands scored 2400 by only one pin. There was only one man to qualify for the high total class of the week, and that was Prescott, who got 514.

Newton Highlands made a good start for the game by taking the first string by 60 pins. This it lost in the second, and on the two strings B. A. A. had seven pins to the good. In the third Newton Highlands put up its best total while B. A. A. took to the chutes. Newton Highlands got the string by 88 and the match by 81.

NEWTON HIGHLANDS.				
Bowler	1	2	3	Total
Brigham	150	148	157	455
Knight	172	166	146	484
Moore	140	161	163	464
Gorton	158	129	180	467
Prescott	181	140	193	514
Totals	806	784	841	2391

B. A. A.

Lawrence	148	164	151	463
Hecht	140	196	127	463
W. L. Hill	132	172	158	462
Ainsworth	169	129	168	466
Totals	748	819	753	2320

ARLINGTON, 2D, 2570; NEWTON BOAT, 2531.

A remarkably fine exhibition match was that rolled by the Arlington second team and the Newton Boat Club team at Arlington last Friday evening. Arlington won by 39 pins. Both teams rolled well over 2500, and Arlington put up a string of 917. Homer of the Arlington team and Bixby and Abbin of the Newton team distinguished themselves by rolling out big scores:

ARLINGTON.				
Bowler	1	2	3	Total
Dodge	184	159	175	518
Cutler	185	171	171	527
Slade	230	140	140	494
Shirley	161	151	171	483
Homer	212	169	167	548
Totals	947	790	833	2570

NEWTON BOAT.

Aubin	176	170	195	541
Barnett	133	194	165	492
Bixby	152	183	201	536
Collier	161	161	176	498
J. B. Langley	186	172	129	487
Totals	787	880	834	2501

90TH 2496; NEWTON 2382.

The tailenders in the Boston league played a close match on the Newton Club alleys at Newtonville, Wednesday evening, which resulted in a victory for the 90th bowlers over the Newton Club team.

The Newton rollers had hard luck from the start with breaks. The visitors rolled steadily, and were in the lead from the start. At the end of the fifth box in the last string Newton was 40 pins ahead in the string and nearly tied for the match, but was unable to keep the pace and was beaten by 114 pins.

Spencer fatted his average by rolling 563, and Pray, Harwood and Chapin all rolled five centuries. The score:

NEWTON 90TH.				
Bowler	1	2	3	Total
Chapin	141	181	178	500
Loring	136	156	159	451
Harwood	197	162	168	527
Ashworth	146	153	148	447
Spencer	190	191	182	563
Team totals	810	851	835	2496

NEWTON.

Loring	163	137	168	468
Philpott	158	172	139	469
Bentley	111	187	153	451
Pray	159	211	157	527
Savage	170	137	169	476
Team totals	761	844	777	2382

NEWTON B., 2456; RIVERDALE C., 2426.

In a circuit league match at Newton Highlands Wednesday evening, the Highland club team defeated Riverdale Casino in one of the hottest matches of the series. Brigham made a record for the alleys in a match by rolling 578. The score:

NEWTON HIGHLANDS.				
Bowler	1	2	3	Total
Brigham	291	174	263	528
White	149	149	177	475
Moore	294	157	156	517
Gorton	181	149	147	477
Prescott	144	151	168	463
Team totals	859	780	801	2456

RIVERDALE CASINO.

Steer	166	180	136	482
Keith	156	162	132	450
Wilson	182	159	136	477
Flood	159	180	163	495
Wilson	194	148	177	519
Team totals	851	831	744	2426

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Health Statistics.

The bulletin of the board of health for January, gives 28 deaths for January, a rate of only 12.17 per thousand.

There were 27 cases of diphtheria reported during the month, and 11 were still ill on Feb. 1st; 10 cases were in Ward Two.

Sixteen cases of scarlet fever were reported of which five were in Ward One, and fifteen were still ill on Feb. 1.

Nine cases of typhoid fever were reported, and thirty-five cases of measles. Twelve cases were in Ward Three, and eighteen are still ill.

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Our doctor (my uncle) tells father that I am in consumption, and wants to take me to Florida. Please help me! Tell me what to do, and tell me quickly. I am engaged to be married in September. Shall I live to see the day? . . .
LUCY E. W.

Chicago, June 16th, '95.

My dear Mrs. Pinkham—
This is a happy day. I am well and gaining weight daily, but still continue the treatment and Vegetable Compound during the summer, as you suggest. Uncle knows nothing about what you have done for me, because it would make things very unpleasant in the family. I would like to give you a testimonial to publish, but father would not allow it. . . . I shall be married in September, and as we go to Boston, will call upon you. How can I prove my gratitude? . . .
LUCY E. W.

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CITY GOVERNMENT A BUSINESS

MATTER.

The problem of city government in the

United States is receiving a good deal

of attention at present, judging from the

general demand for a revision of city charters.

It is hardly a secret that the large cities of

the United States surpass in corruption

anything that can be found in the civilized

portions of the old world, and party politics

is responsible for this. No matter

what the party, whether Democrats in

New York or Republicans in Philadelphia,

or both in Chicago, corruption and dis-

honesty rule. The Hon. Seth Low said

some years ago, that Americans are only

now learning, after many years of bitter

experience, that cities are not so much little

states as large "corporations." In getting

a charter for greater New York, the better

element are trying to take advantage of

this truth, and to have its affairs managed

by a mayor and board of directors, just

as is done with any other large corporation.

The Boston & Albany railroad, which

collects and expends about eighteen millions

a year, is managed by thirteen directors,

including the president. Here in Newton,

we are making a step towards this ideal,

by providing in our new charter for a board

of twenty-one managers, which is large

enough certainly, considering the compara-

tively small amount of money they have to

expend, but it is a step in the right direction,

and the charter provides that the

board shall give the orders and its agent,

the mayor, shall carry them out, as is done

in other corporations. Of course it gives

great power to the mayor, but there is the

more reason for choosing a man solely for

his fitness for the place, without regard for

other considerations. Fortunately, city

government has never been mixed up with

politics in Newton, although there have

been a number of efforts looking to that

end, and for this reason, our city govern-

ment has never been disgraced by the

scandals of larger cities. The only way to

keep it pure, is to keep politics out of it.

THE hearing on the bill to appropriate

\$50,000 for the seizing of land along the

Charles River by the state was held this

morning at the State House. A large num-

ber of Newton men, representing the local

improvement societies and other promi-

nent citizens, were present to support the

bill, and the city government was also

represented. From the speeches made,

there was left no doubt in the minds of the

committee that Newton favors the bill, and

that it will be much cheaper to take the

lands now than to wait until they are

valued at a higher price. Considerations

of public health also demand that prompt

action shall be taken, to make the river

the city. As one of them said recently,

they are glad to be looked after, as it will

bring them some credit, if they perform

their duties faithfully.

JUDGING from the advance reports of

the dress Mrs. McKinley is to wear at the

inauguration there is no tariff humbug

about this charming lady. Her husband

will wear his home made American suit

to please the farmers but she does not

limit herself to the product of American

labor, but gets the most becoming things

she can find without regard to the place

where they were made. It is only another

illustration of the good sense of women,

and is also a warning to Mr. Dingley and

his tariff tinkers of the fate that may over-

whelm them if they raise the prices of

feminine fashions in the new tariff they

are concocting. They should remember

who defeated the other McKinley bill.

GEN. RUSSELL ALGER, who got up that

great palace car stumping tour of Union

Generals, was supposed to have paid the

expenses out of his own pocket, but it now

appears that the Republican National com-

mittee had to foot the bills to the tune of

\$47,000. Lucky Alger, he not only saved

his money but gets a cabinet place besides.

After this, who can doubt his fitness for

the head of the war department?

THE bill to allow Newton to construct

its own lighting plant has been presented

at the State House, but it would have no

effect even if it should pass. The debt

limit has been so nearly reached by the

extra appropriations of last year, that it is

said we could not even rebuild one of the

city buildings if we should have a fire, and

hence there is some talk of getting them in-

sured.

THERE was a hearing at the State House,

yesterday morning, on the bill to exempt

\$500,000 additional sewer debt from New-

ton's debt limit. City Solicitor Slocum

presented the case and Mayor Cobb and

Treasurer Ranlett were present.

STERLING ELLIOTT was finally defeated

by Isaac B. Potter in the contest for the

presidency of the League of American

Wheelmen by a vote of 155 to 115. It is

said that some of the New England dele-

gates voted for Potter.

ON THE TRAIL.

CAPT. HOWARD'S LECTURE LISTENED TO

BY A GOOD-SIZED AUDIENCE—LAST

LECTURE IN THE READ FUND COURSE

GIVEN TUESDAY EVENING.

The last in the course of Read Fund

lectures was given Tuesday evening in Eliot

hall, calling out a good-sized audience com-

posed of representative Newton people.

Capt. F. E. Howard of West Newton was

the speaker and his story of "On the Trail"

was listened to with great interest. Per-

fect order was maintained by the younger

element present which may be accounted

for by the fact that several members and

ex-members of the city government were

present. Among others present were

Alderman H. W. Downs, ex-Alderman Tol-

man, ex-Councilman Bailey, City Clerk L.

F. Kingsbury, several G. A. R. veterans

and members of the High school battalion.

In beginning the lecture Capt. Howard

described the great cattle-raising belt of

the west, its climate, its advantages and

its disadvantages. In the summer of 1887

he left Boston for a small town in Texas,

where he joined a party of ranchmen who

were about to drive a herd of cattle from

the state to Montana.

In the long marches, which follow, of 400

to 800 miles great care is used by the her-

ders to keep their cattle from stampeding,

and night or day they are ever watchful

and vigilant. The use of lariat is frequent

and it is an indispensable adjunct to her-

ding. When stampedes took place the camp

is abandoned and the men on the quiver

AT BEACON HILL.

NEWTON'S CITY CHARTER—TRUST COM-
PANIES—TAX FOR EDUCATIONAL PUR-
POSES—THE BOSTON SCHOOL COMMIT-
TEE—THE LIBEL LAW—MIDDLESEX
COUNTY EXPENSES—WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

(Special Legislative Correspondence.)

Boston, Feb. 10, 1897.

Newton has been constantly in evidence

during the past week on Beacon Hill.

There is a great difference between cities

in this particular. Some of them are prac-

tically never heard of from the opening to

the close of the legislature. The live cities,

however, have a good deal to ask, and gen-

erally get a respectful hearing.

Mr. Pierce of Milton holds to the opinion

that the blue book is cumbered by charters,

and that the governor ought to appoint

some competent person to draw up a model

charter which should be adopted by all

cities. It might be a good plan to have a

competitive test made, and select the man

to draw the model who presented the best

charter to the committee on cities this year.

In such a competition City Solicitor Slocum

of Newton ought to stand a good chance of

selection. As a matter of fact, however,

Mr. Pierce's scheme is open to objection.

It isn't more than three years since the

committee on cities started out with the

idea that a form of charter which had been

drawn up by a recess committee, if I re-

member, would furnish a model to all

future cities desiring incorporation. The

general plan was a single legislative board,

like that at Waltham, but most of its

features have been completely lost sight

of and I do not believe a single member

of the committee could today place his hand

on that model charter. The Newton char-

ter, just submitted, contains the single

board feature, and I think Boston is com-

ing to it one of these days, but as a rule

the needs, as well as the demands of cities

vary, and what will be appropriate for one

will not do at all for another. Boards of

police are very successful in some cities and

a failure in others. So it is with boards of

public works, and with commissions.

One city demands them at the very time

that another asks to be relieved from them,

so that one wonders how the commit-

tee on cities ever reaches a decision. It

does it by voting to give each place what it

wants, so long as the demand is constitu-

tional.

Hon. Alden Speare was before the com-

mittee on metropolitan affairs and harbors,

sitting jointly, on Friday, to urge the

adoption of the recommendation of the

commission of public docks and terminal

facilities. Mr. Speare believes that the

ideas of the commission, if carried out, will

be the means of greatly enlarging the

growth of Boston, and its suburbs. His

hearty commendation of the commission's

report must have been very gratifying to

Mr. Leeson and his associates.

Mr. Speare's name also appeared among

the petitioners for legislation, asking that

the words "lunatic" and "insane" be

stricken from the names of the various

hospitals and asylums. This would make

the Worcester State Hospital, the Boston

and the Insane Asylum be changed to the

Worcester State Hospital and Worcester

State Asylum, and substitute "state" for

the objectionable words in the names of

hospitals, and the Boston and the Insane

institutions. There is a good deal of sense

in these requests. None of us would like

to come to our senses some day and find

ourselves in a lunatic hospital. If it did

not seem so, we might have caught them

to hope that we were not lunatics, even

though we found ourselves in rather in-

convenient quarters. I presume Mr. Speare

has other reasons for his petition, but

those which occur to one who casually

reads it.

Senator Harwood is not on the com-

mittee on banks and banking, but he took

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NEWTONVILLE.

Pianos rented and tuned, Farley, Newton.
Miss Elsie Spinnery is visiting friends in Malden.

Several new cases of measles were reported this week.

Mrs. P. A. Carter has had a light attack of the gripe.

Miss Grace Walker is entertaining guests from Rindge, N. H.

Miss Florence Sylvester is convalescing after a three weeks' illness.

Mrs. C. H. Johnson is convalescing from an attack of la grippe.

Waban Lodge I. O. O. F. held its regular meeting Thursday evening.

Officer W. A. Soule has been confined to the house this week by illness.

Mr. L. B. Schofield has bought the Judge Slocum house on Bowers street.

The regular meeting of the Daughters of Veterans was held Tuesday evening.

The regular meeting of Mt. Ida Council Royal Arcanum was held Monday evening.

The next vespers service at the Universalist church occurs Feb. 21st, at 4.45 p. m.

Mrs. Wyman's studio will remain closed during the remainder of the cold season.

The Ministers' Union of Newton met Wednesday afternoon in the Congregational church.

Another class in physical culture under the direction of Miss Martin, was formed last week.

The regular meeting of the Ancient Order of United Workmen will be held this evening.

Mrs. Fred Johnson of Boston is the guest of Mrs. A. B. Tainter at her home on Highland avenue.

Miss Josephine Estevez of Chelsea was the guest this week of Miss Mary Payne, at her home on Otis street.

There are letters remaining in the post office for Annie Bronson, Mrs. Joseph S. Hunt and W. P. Norton.

Several members of the Newtonville Cycle Club will attend the league meet at the Bijou theatre, Feb. 19.

Miss May Park will give an entertainment in the parlors of the Universalist church, Monday evening, March 15.

Mt. Ida Council Royal Arcanum are making arrangements to celebrate their anniversary, Monday evening, March 8.

The Ammon Whist Club met last Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Albert T. Sisson at their home in Edinboro circle.

The next meeting of the Ammon Whist Club will be held next Thursday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Sisson.

Among the recent engagements is announced that of our popular druggist, Mr. John F. Payne and Miss Alma Schreff of Elm place.

A portion of the Newtonville Cycle Club with friends from Cambridge, enjoyed a supper party and a performance at the theatre last Saturday evening.

The Christian Endeavor Society connected with the Methodist church reports a membership of 96 in the three grades of active, associate and honorary.

Mr. Alexander Johnson, the faithful gate tender at the railroad crossing, is suffering from the effects of a severe fall upon the ice, which occurred last Sunday.

A duck supper and social was held in the Universalist church parlors last evening. The comedy "Who's to Inherit" was presented and received well merited applause.

Students in ornithology will doubtless be interested in learning the huge owl displayed in Tainter's store windows, which, if not fearfully, is certainly wonderfully made.

A social was held Tuesday evening in the parlors of the Central Congregational church. An enjoyable entertainment was presented and a supper served in the dining room.

"The Visit of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts to the Parent Company, the Honorable Artillery Company of London," will be the subject of the address at the Universalist chapel next Tuesday evening, by Capt. A. A. Folsom. It will be an occasion of exceptional pleasure. Admission is free.

The N. H. S. '97 basketball team played a game with the team from Sargent's Preparatory school, Cambridge, last Saturday. It was an exciting game and the score was eight to five in favor of the Cambridge team. Newton played well but Cambridge did better, owing to more frequent training. Miss Hester and Mrs. Coney did excellent work for the Newton team.

At the Methodist Episcopal church next Sunday the pastor will preach both morning and evening. Morning topic, "The Spiritual Life of the Church." Evening topic, "Lessons from the Life of Abraham Lincoln," the topic being suggested by the anniversary of Lincoln's birthday, Feb. 12. Special music. All are cordially invited to come and participate in this service in memory of one of America's most heroic characters.

The regular meeting of Newton Council, No. 38, L. A. B. A., was held in Denison hall on Monday evening. The following officers for 1897 were installed by Bro. Charles E. Kimball, deputy supreme commander, and Geo. R. Russell, deputy supreme guide: Councilor, J. B. Robson; orator, D. Frank Lord; past councilor, Frank R. Ratcliffe; recorder, Henry E. Sisson; collector, Geo. W. Brown; marshal, John A. Evans; chaplain, H. A. Boynton; sentinel, E. Clifton Butler.

The D. Y. T. Club met Wednesday evening with Miss Beth Elwell at her home on Highland avenue. Miss Laura Hawley assisted. Miss Elwell presided. The conversation party was a feature of the evening's program. Whist was enjoyed, the first honors being won by Miss Agnes Rossman and Mr. William Hatch. The second prizes were awarded to Miss Grace McEllan and Mr. Arthur Bryant. Several pleasing musical selections were rendered, followed by a dainty collation in the dining room.

The second in the series of whist parties given at the Newton Club by the Ladies' Home Circle, was held yesterday afternoon, twenty-six tables being filled. The third will be given next week Thursday afternoon at the same place. Tickets can be obtained of Mrs. Anderson of West Newton. It is hoped that all who can will attend as these parties are given for the charity fund of the circle and they have many calls upon them which they are unable to meet. At the meeting yesterday, the prizes were taken as follows: Mrs. Humphrey of West Newton, first; Mrs. Barker of West Newton, second; Mrs. C. H. Reed, third; Mrs. N. J. Pratt, fourth, and Mrs. Atkins, fifth.

The History Club met at the residence of Mr. E. E. Stiles on Walnut street, Wednesday evening. The first paper written by Mrs. G. W. Morse and read by Prof. J. B. Taylor was on the "Annexation of Texas to the Union." This was followed by an outline sketch of the "Mexican War" by Mrs. Edward Sands. The next paper treated of the "Heroes of the War," Gen. Zachary Taylor and Gen. Winfield Scott. This paper was read by Miss E. C. Wakefield. The last paper of the evening was by Mr. P. H. Tufts on the "Wilnot Proviso." The next meeting will be held on Feb. 23rd, at the residence of Miss Kathleen Jones. The papers for the evening will be the "Bigelow Papers," "The Argonauts of 1849," by Miss Gertrude Morse, "The Om-

nibus Bill of 1850," by Miss C. E. Silloway, and "New Leaders."

Mr. W. K. Butler of Schenectady, N. Y., is the guest of Mrs. Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Henderson of St. Louis are the guests of friends here this week.

Ladies' night and whist were the features at the clubhouse, Wednesday evening.

The old Camera club house has been moved to make way for the Brookside avenue bridge.

Mr. Al Dodge has returned from the hospital, where he was seriously ill for several weeks.

Mrs. John Vallette of Buffalo, will be the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. Fred Brown, next week.

The gas company has laid their main across the Walnut street bridge this week, and the old main has been dug up.

A "Hurdy Gurdy" under the direction of Mrs. J. L. Atwood, will be given in Denison hall, Wednesday evening, Feb. 24.

Mrs. G. H. Shapley took the first prize for her Skye Terrier at the recent dog show. Miss Blanche took a first prize for her toy spaniel.

Mrs. Marcus Morton and Mrs. Charles W. Leonard have been admitted to membership in the Society of Mayflower descendants.

Rev. A. A. Berle of Brighton will lecture before G. A. R. Post 62, next Thursday evening. His subject will be "The Trip of the Ancients to Europe."

Dalhousie Lodge, F. and A. M., received a visitation from the past masters association, Wednesday evening. A collation was served in the banquet hall.

The executive board of the Newton Federation of Women's Clubs will meet Monday forenoon in the parlors of the new church on Highland avenue.

"The Art of Conversation" was the subject of an address given by Mrs. Florence Howe Hall before an audience of ladies at the clubhouse, Wednesday afternoon.

Letters have been received from Mr. J. C. Maynard and family. They arrived at the Bahamas safely after a very rough passage, during which they fell in with a wrecked schooner.

A horse owned by Mr. C. F. Jones was frightened Wednesday by an electric car on Walnut street. The carriage was overturned and Mr. Jones thrown out, but fortunately escaped serious injury.

The League of American Wheelmen is holding its annual assembly in Albany, N. Y., this week. The secretary, Mr. Bassett, is here, and also the president, Mr. Sterling Elliott of Newton.

The fourth lecture in the series on "Talks on Health and Home Topics," was given in the Universalist church, yesterday afternoon by Mrs. Dr. Faunce. Her subject was, "The Functions of the Brain."

Jennie A. Moriarty, successor to Edith Small, milliner, wishes to thank her customers for their patronage in the past and hopes for the same in the future. For the present all orders left at her home on Washington terrace, will receive prompt attention.

Mrs. Strong has been prevailed upon to repeat her song recital, as so many were kept away by the blizzard, and tickets for the former will be good for this one. Should there be another severe storm on the evening selected, the recital will be postponed.

A special vespers service was held Sunday afternoon in the Universalist church. By special invitation the members of Dalhousie lodge, F. and A. M., were present in a body. An elaborate musical program was rendered by the "Treble Clef," an association of eight Newton vocalists, and a brief address was made by Rev. Charles Sumner Nickerson.

Our readers from all the Newtons should peruse the advertising paragraphs of Manager Loomis of the Newtonville Real Estate Exchange. His new office quarters in Partridge's block opposite the depot is being nicely fitted up and will be ready to do business in a few days. His timely change to property owners to put their houses in order for sale or rent "is" to the point and should be heeded.

The song recital that was given by Mrs. Edward L. Strong at the Central Congregational church, Newtonville, was so much enjoyed by those fortunate enough to be present that she has been urged to repeat it, so that more persons may have the opportunity of hearing it. Therefore, on Thursday evening, Feb. 25th, it is decided to repeat the performance and the first concert created so much enthusiasm that undoubtedly a full house will be present.

Wednesday night was a great event in the history of Dalhousie lodge, as it had as its guests some twenty-five members of the past masters association of this district. Some 400 other guests were present and the degree was worked by the past masters of Dalhousie lodge to the satisfaction of the company. There was some fine music by the Dalhousie quartet and glee club, and a banquet was served later in the evening, at which informal speeches were made and a very enjoyable time was had.

The funeral of Mr. Henry C. Hayden was held Sunday afternoon in the Central Congregational church. A large number of friends and relatives attended. The pastor, the Rev. J. M. Dutton, officiated, and music was furnished by the church quartet. The floral tributes were numerous and beautiful, those of the Masonic fraternity, of which the deceased was a member, being particularly noticeable. The pallbearers were the deacons of the church. The remains were placed in the receiving tomb in the Newton cemetery.

It is stated that Charles Ward post 62, G. A. R., has leased of the Newton Masonic association three large offices in the new Masonic block, which is now being completed at the corner of Newtonville avenue and Walnut street. The lease is for a long term of years, and the rooms will be especially fitted up for the use of the post. They are on the Newtonville avenue side of the building, and are among the most desirable in the new structure. They will be occupied immediately on the completion of the hall. The three rooms will be fitted up as a Grand Army memorial hall, and will be used as a repository for the large collection of war relics which belong to the post.

WEST NEWTON.

Miller pianos, Farley, Newton.

Miss Ida Stacy is enjoying a short stay in Haverhill.

Mr. J. J. Eddy has been elected vice president of the Boston Bank Presidents club.

The Ladies Home circle held the second in the series of afternoon whist parties at the club house, Newtonville, yesterday.

Arrangements are being made for a series of entertainments and concerts to be given in the city hall, in the near future. The best talent will be employed and everything will be done to make them as enjoyable as possible.

It has been found that the city will not appropriate money for a needed drain on West Newton hill, through the Felton estate, and that it is not likely to be constructed by private subscription; therefore the board of health has found it necessary, as a health measure, to take the question in hand, and now propose to construct it under the betterment act, and assess the cost upon the abutters. A hearing to all parties will be given at the

next meeting of the board of health. It will cost several thousand dollars.

Miss Alice Cole left Monday for her home in Halifax.

Mr. R. G. Elkins is making a short trip through the west.

Mrs. Seem and daughter are in N. Y., where they will remain some weeks.

The regular meeting of the Women's Guild, will be held Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Charles A. Wilson and Mrs. George Stacy were in Concord, for a day this week.

Mrs. Philomena Stacey and Mrs. Charles Wilson enjoyed a trip to Ashmont this week.

Prof. English of Newton Centre is expected to preach at the Baptist church this evening.

Mr. A. C. Tyler has bought the Hickley house on Sterling street and will soon occupy it.

Flags are flying from the various public buildings today, in honor of Lincoln's birthday.

Mr. Roland Eyre of Hull, England, is visiting his sister, Mrs. T. E. Gammons, this week.

The regular meeting of the local branch of the Legion of Honor, was held Tuesday evening.

Miss Naomi Fumeaux of this place, has accepted a position at the West Newton telephone exchange.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard G. Elkins of Highland street, left Tuesday for an extended trip to the West.

Prof. J. M. English of Newton Theological Seminary, will make an address at the Baptist church this evening.

Charles Fumeaux and Walter Dolan, leave Tuesday for Hot Springs, Ark., where they will remain some weeks.

Mr. Josiah Bacon, who is away for his health, is reported as improving. He will remain at the south for several weeks longer.

Measles are very prevalent among the children of this ward. The school attendance has been much lessened in consequence.

The young Women's Study Club will hold their next meeting Wednesday evening, in the parlors of the Second Congregational church.

The Junior Society of Christian Endeavor will hold a social in the Congregational church parlors, Saturday afternoon, from 3 to 6.

The news of Mr. Charles S. Drew's death was received with deep sorrow by his many friends here. He was a son of the late Thomas Drew.

The regular meeting of John Elliot Lodge A. O. U. W., was held Wednesday evening. An address was made by Mrs. P. J. Butler of Kennebec.

The local branch of the W. C. T. U. assisted the Waltham branch to entertain the quarterly convention yesterday, at the W. C. T. U. hall, in Waltham.

Rev. Mr. Boone, a son in law of Deacon Johnson, is here on a visit, collecting funds for the colored school in Oklahoma, with which he is connected.

Special Gospel meetings will be held in the Baptist vestry every evening next week. Several well known clergymen will be present during the various services.

The regular meeting of the men's club was held Wednesday evening in the parlors of the Congregational church. The address was given by Mr. J. J. Eddy, on National Banking.

Mr. W. J. Furbush reported Tuesday, at police headquarters the loss of 12 five pound boxes of butter, which were stolen from his wagon between Brighton and Newton, on that day.

The Women's Alliance met Thursday forenoon, in the parlors of the Universalist church. The paper read by Mrs. Ellen Rallett at Newton, was one of the most interesting in the series.

Plans are being made for the erection of several single houses, also others arranged in blocks, in various sections of this ward. A great boom is promised in the real estate business in the early spring.

A number of the hydrants that have been in use by the workmen on the railroad and those on the streets are found to be frozen up and the water department have been busy this week in thawing them out.

In the police court Saturday morning Antonio Bantambo was charged by Serg. Porell and Officers Condrin, Kyte and Cole with maintaining a liquor nuisance at his home on Curve street. He was found guilty, and fined \$50.

The "Yellow Tea" given by Miss Edna Sunday school class in the parlors of the Congregational church, Saturday afternoon, was much enjoyed by all present. Over twenty dollars were cleared, which will be added to the chapel fund.

Messrs William E. Hogan, Peter J. Davis and Benjamin F. Lyons have recently purchased from the late Carson, No. 4, its intention to raise and train colts, which will make their appearance on the local tracks, in the early spring.

The Owl Club of this place and Newtonville, gave a charity whist for the benefit of the Auburn school, on Friday, Feb. 10, at the residence of H. Earl, Grove street, Auburndale. During the evening light refreshments were served. The amount netted \$24.00.

The Washington street bridge will be opened to the public on Friday, Feb. 13, if the tracks are depressed as the opening of the bridge now would call for two flagmen at least, and the road is not anxious to maintain any more crossings than are absolutely necessary.

A paper written by Miss Margaret J. Evans of Northfield, Minn., on "Public schools as a Moral factor in the Nation," will be read by Mrs. J. C. Jaynes at the meeting of the West Newton Women's Educational club this afternoon in the parlors of the Unitarian church.

James F. Armitage a popular young man of this village, who met a sad death on the B. & A. tracks while returning from labor on Saturday evening, was buried Tuesday morning. Requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Calligan of St. Bernard's church. The funeral was largely attended by his friends and associates. The display of floral pieces were numerous and beautiful. A ledger with the inscription "Closed Feb. 6, 1897," was received from his former associates. The pallbearers were: Charles Furneaux, Michael J. O'Neil, Thomas L. Dolan, Francis J. O'Grady, William J. Kiley and Wm. F. Kiley. The interment was at Calvary cemetery, Waltham.

"The Lucy Jackson" Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution of Newton, was entertained by Mrs. Penberton, at the Woodland club, Thursday afternoon, Feb. 11th. After the roll call and singing of America a paper by Mrs. James H. Robbins, Regent of "Old Colony Chapter" of Hingham, was read. This paper gave a history of the National Organization of the Daughters of the American Revolution formed in 1880, with Mrs. Harrison as president general having only one hundred members. The organization now numbers more than 16,000 and is rapidly increasing. After the paper musical selections were rendered, and before adjourning to the dining room all joined in singing the choros of "The Star Spangled Banner." The officers of the chapter are: Regent, Miss Fanny B. Allen; vice regent, Mrs. F. F. Raymond; secretary, Mrs. Ella L. Sargent; historian, Mrs. John

Carter; registrar, Mrs. Frank Sherman; treasurer, Mrs. Thomas Whidden.

Mr. L. Chivers has leased the Middlesex Savings bank house on Wildwood avenue.

A delegation from the local branch of the American Legion of Honor, attended the convocation at Natick, Wednesday evening.

Newton people responded generously to the appeal for clothing received here last week, from the colored schools in the south. The barrels will be shipped to-morrow.

A social will be held at the Unitarian church parlors next Friday evening. A platform entertainment will be presented under the direction of Mrs. Arthur Hosmer.

The executive board of the Newton Women's Suffrage League, met Saturday afternoon, at the residence of Mrs. E. N. L. Walton. Mrs. T. Allen was chosen chairman of the executive committee. Arrangements were made for a series of parlor meetings in Wards 2 3 and 4 during the spring months.

AUBURNDALE.

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Beef, Iron and Wine at Thorn's.

Dr. Steele of Vista avenue is reported quite ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Tarbox of Clark street are visiting out of town.

Officer Herbert L. Seaver has returned to duty after a two-weeks illness.

There are letters in the postoffice for Mrs. A. J. Smith and Mrs. W. F. Smith.

Mr. E. A. Walker of Auburn street, has purchased a fine pair of driving horses.

Rev. Dr. Bishop of Woodland avenue is expected home from Europe this month.

Mr. and Miss Bishop, Woodland road, have left for a few weeks stay in Washington, D. C.

Mr. J. S. Lincoln and family of Auburndale avenue have taken a house near Row or Rowe street.

Joseph Walsh has taken the place of Daniel Monehan with Mr. George Mann of Freeman street.

Mrs. J. B. Crossley of Providence, R. I., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Thorn of Auburndale avenue.

Mr. W. E. Coleman, formerly of this place, but now of Allston, was in town this week visiting friends.

Mr. A. P. Dana of Wellesley gave a bowling party at the Newton boat club house, Wednesday evening.

Mr. E. H. Rudd and family of Albion, New York, are guests of Mr. H. W. Dwight and family of Central street.

P. J. Hewes has been confined to the house a few days with a throat trouble, but is now able to be about his work again.

The Methodist church society are holding revival meetings which are largely attended, and a number of converts are already recorded.

The Ward Four Republican committee met last week and organized by the choice of H. O. Ryder, chairman; George Mann, secretary; and A. H. Wiggins, treasurer.

Mrs. Barnes of Ash street has returned from the hospital. She is still under the doctor's care and it will be a long time before she is able to attend to her household duties.

Mr. George Merrow and family are soon to occupy their former residence on Wabam street, which was so badly damaged by a recent fire, and has since been repaired.

A close watch of the dogs in this place has been kept since the dog died in Mr. Herriek's cellar on Bourne street, but no further indications of the disease has shown itself.

Jerry Ryan, driver of Johnson's grain team, was taken to the Newton hospital about two weeks ago, sick with typhoid fever. He is very ill and the chances of his recovery are said to be small.

Three Nirods of this place scoured the woods of Weston last Wednesday in the vain hope of shooting a reindeer. They returned late in the evening with nothing but a buck, though after a twenty-mile tramp.

A sleigh ride arranged by Miss Florence Dewing was enjoyed last Saturday evening. The party drove through Newton, Brighton, Watertown and Waltham home arriving about 11 o'clock, after a most delightful ride.

Sunday afternoon, while Frank R. Palmer of Boston was walking over the unfinished portion of the Commonwealth avenue boulevard near Lexington street, he slipped down the embankment and was injured. He also sustained a number of bad cuts on the head.

The Congregational church auxiliary meeting of the Ladies Benevolent society on Wednesday afternoon, heard a most interesting address by Mrs. Woodbury on the "Moral factor in the Nation," an association among the Mountain Whites. Afterwards a charming afternoon tea was served.

Last Saturday a horse attached to a sleigh and owned by G. R. Eager, which was being driven by Miss Eager, became frightened on Auburn street, in front of Woodward's fish market, and ran away. The animal ran up Woodland road to Washington street, then to West Newton, where it was finally caught back of the engine house. No damage was done and the occupants escaped unhurt.

Thirty-three Good Templars from this place and Loyalty lodges, went on a sleigh ride last Saturday night, and had a glorious time, notwithstanding the slight rain. They visited Bradley's Childs lodge at So. Framingham, where the officers of Bradley Childs were installed by D. G. C. T. Francis Cluston of Loyalty Lodge, Wellesley. Mrs. Eager acted as installing Marshall and Miss Alice De Laey as Deputy installing Marshall. After the installation a banquet was served, and the whole evening was very much enjoyed.

The following officers of Auburndale Lodge, I. O. G. T., were installed by D. G. C. T. Francis Cluston last evening: Frank Bates, P. C. T.; Welcome Freeman, C. T.; Mrs. C. M. Kipp, V. T.; Mrs. B. F. Wiggins, S. J. T.; Louis Mann, sec'y; A. H. Wiggins, F. S.; Mrs. B. F. Bates, trou; C. M. Kipp, guard; Henry Bourne, sentinel; E. Harris, marshal. The lodge initiated twelve new members at the last meeting and received seven new names, making forty-six names on their charter list, which is considered a pretty good number for a new lodge.

The first in the series of lectures under the auspices of the Review Club was given before a large audience in the Congregational church last evening. The speaker was Mrs. Elizabeth Lovering, and her subject, "Modern Russia." Following is the list, with dates, of those that have already been arranged: Feb. 18, "Some Spanish Cities;" Mrs. Harriet M. Cutler; Feb. 23b, "Women in Music," illustrated, Mrs. Helen L. Thayer Bryant; Mar. 4, "A Glass of Water," Mrs. Alice Peloubet Norton; Mar. 11, "A Glimpse of Boston History," Mrs. Mabel G. Foster.

There is soon to be a juvenile temple started in Auburndale hall, a branch of Auburndale Lodge, I. O. G. T., which will enable the young people to become members of the order. The meetings of the Temple will be held Thursday afternoon after school. The superintendent, Mrs. Belle F. Wiggins, hopes the parents will not object to their children joining the Temple, as the managers are managers and the object is solely to start the children right on the

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NEWTON CENTRE.

—Ivers & Pond plans, Farley, Newton.
—Albert Hahn has left his position at C. O. Tucker's store.
—Mr. and Mrs. George W. Gilbert have taken a house on Grafton street.
—Moses Wright has taken a position at Linnell and Snow's provision store.
—A supper is to be held at the Methodist church, Thursday evening, Feb. 18th.
—Mrs. William A. Benedict of Pelham street, has recovered from her recent illness.
—The Davis house on Pleasant street, has been taken by Mr. H. H. Fairfield and family.
—Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Field of Syracuse, N. Y., were in town this week visiting friends.
—Mr. E. L. Allen and family of Montvale road, have returned from a visit in Brooklyn, N. Y.

—Have you seen Haskell's Wheat Flakes at Knapp's? A public demonstration is being made this week.
—Services at the Unitarian church next Sunday, Feb. 14, at 10.30. Sunday school at 12. All are cordially invited.

—Mounted Officer Seth I. Johnson has removed from Waban, to a house at the corner of Chestnut and Fuller streets.

—Mr. Asa Jewett has the sympathy of friends in the death of his father, Mr. Wm. B. Jewett of Richardson street, Newton.

—Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Barnes, who have been the guests of friends in town, have returned to their home in Pittsburgh, Penn.

—Rev. Mr. Hughes, formerly pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, but now of Malden, was in town Tuesday visiting friends.

—Mr. J. Herbert Sawyer, who has been ill at his apartment on Commonwealth avenue, Boston, is recovering and reported as much improved in health.

—Preparations for an entertainment in Morgan chapel Boston, February 20th, are being made by the Epworth League, of the Methodist Episcopal church.

—Mrs. Lizzie Adams of Medford, sister of Mr. Asa Jewett, was in town Thursday, to attend the funeral of the late William B. Jewett, of Newton.

—Mr. and Mrs. Remington Fiske, formerly of Boston, have opened their new house on Hammond street. Mrs. Fiske is a niece of Judge Lowell of Chestnut Hill.

—The annual meeting of the Newton Centre Trust Company was held in its offices in Bray's block, Wednesday afternoon, and the old board of trustees re-elected.

—Rev. Luther Freeman, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, delivered his lecture on "Lincoln" in Friendship, Maine last Tuesday evening, in Thomaston, Wednesday evening.

—Rev. F. B. Hornbrooke gave a reading of Browning's "Strafford" at the residence of Mrs. John A. Andrew on Hammond street, Monday morning. Next week he will read "King Arthur and King Charles."

—The Young People's social at the Baptist church, Wednesday evening, called out a large number who enjoyed a very pleasant evening. After supper had been served an entertainment was furnished, which was well received.

—Miss Alice Clement, last week at the parlors of the Unitarian church, read an interesting paper upon "Just and Unjust Criticisms," which was followed by a debate by eight or ten young ladies and gentlemen. It is a club just formed and there is much interest in it.

—While skating on the ice at Crystal Lake Wednesday morning, William Porter, employed by M. C. Bray, fell on the ice and sustained a severe injury to his head. He was taken to the office of Dr. West, where a large cut in his head was sewed. Later Mr. Porter was taken home.

—Angus J. McNeill, a carpenter, employed by A. J. Campbell, while at work on a new house on Newbury street last Monday afternoon, fell to the ground, a distance of 35 feet. His left arm was fractured, and he sustained internal injuries of a serious nature. He was taken to the Newton Hospital.

—The Improvement Association announces an old fashioned costume party for Saturday evening, Feb. 20. The costumes of this place are preparing to exemplify the costumes peculiar to the 18th century. A calico gown, given an old fashioned poke, will be considered as appropriate, as a magnificent Indian silk.

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—Mr. Nathaniel L. Webber, for many years resident of this place, died last Saturday evening at his residence on Langley road. Mr. Webber was 69 years old and well known as an active Boston business man until some years ago when he retired from business. The funeral services were held at Mr. Webber's late residence last Monday afternoon, Rev. B. F. McDaniel officiating. The interment was at the Newton cemetery. Mr. Webber leaves a wife and grown up daughter.

—The committee of the Newton winter tennis club's tournament, March 1, consists of Walter L. Sanborn, William H. Bee, Fred H. Hovey, Harry J. Ayer, Edward M. Noyes, George L. West and Edwin Sheafe. Matches will be best two in three sets, except in the finals, which will be best three in five odd sets and all sets in the final match to be played and advantage. National association handicaps will be used as far as possible. Play will begin promptly at 2.30 and 7.30 p. m.

—At the meeting of the Baptist Sunday School Superintendent's Association at Gil-bert hall, Tremont Temple, last Monday afternoon, Prof. Rush Pines of the Newton theological institution was one of the principal speakers. In the general discussion on "The Books of Acts in the Light of Modern Scholarship" he opened the subject with the question "Where were the churches of Galatia?" He showed that these were the churches established by Paul on his first mission.

—At the beautiful residence of Mrs. Arthur Hodges of Ashton park, was given on Thursday, Feb. 4th, a large reception to Mrs. Samuel Barnes, wife of a former pastor of this place. Guests to the number of two hundred were entertained in a dainty charming manner. Music by Miss Gertrude Nelson and Miss Spence added greatly to the enjoyment of the guests. Mrs. Kendall of this place and Mrs. Frederic Johnson of Eliot served chocolate and coffee, while the Misses Nelson, Dickinson, Beal, Spear, Haskell and Miss Lillian

White waited on the ladies in a most delicate manner.

—Capt. J. E. Cousins and wife and Miss White of this place, are among the roses in Georgia.

—Mrs. J. S. Beless has gone to Nova Scotia to be present at the burial of her sister's husband.

—Messrs. Hosse & Co's express has a new sign, at the corner of Langdon road and Beacon street.

—Mr. J. N. Stanley, who has been visiting friends on Maple Park, has returned to his home in South Framingham.

—Dr. Judson, who is conducting a series of prayer meetings at the Newton Y. M. C. A., is staying at the Colby estate on Centre street, the guest of Mr. Colby.

NEWTON HIGHLANDS.

—Ladies' night at the clubhouse on Monday evening next.

—Mrs. Stone of Duncklee street, who has been ill, is improving.

—The C. L. S. C. will hold their next meeting with Mrs. Heckman.

—Mrs. S. C. Cobb has not been out for a few days past on account of illness.

—The West End Literary Club will meet with Mrs. Bancroft, Monday, Feb. 13th.

—Mrs. H. J. Patterson of Hartford street has been spending a few days at Haverhill.

—The Stevens building is reported to be sold to Dr. Parker, the dentist, who resides at Newtonville.

—The next meeting of the Monday Club will be with Mrs. S. W. Jones. This will be the "Author's Day."

—Letters remaining in the post office for Maude L. Cate, Mrs. N. P. Haskell, D. M. Truie, (2) Patrick Walsh.

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—The Rev. Harry Minnis of Boston University school of Theology, will preach at the M. E. church next Sunday morning. The pastor will have charge of the evening service.

—Mr. Fred Moore, a designer, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moore, who has been in New York for the past eight years, has engagement with the Merrimac mills, and will return to this vicinity.

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—The Methodists enjoyed their monthly supper and sociable at their church parlors last Wednesday evening. After supper a proverb party followed, including recitations by Mr. Elliott J. Hyde, singing by Miss Fanny Stevens, and various games, all illustrating proverbs. Pillow-dex closed a most enjoyable evening. Last week on Wednesday evening the members of the Epworth League went on a sleigh ride.

—Last Friday evening in Lincoln hall, Home lodge, No. 162, L. O. O. F., held its ninth annual concert and ball. The hall was handsomely decorated for the occasion, and filled by over 500 members and their guests. At 8 o'clock a concert program was given by the orchestra, assisted by Mr. Tret, cornet soloist. At 9 the grand march took place, in which 135 couples participated. Dancing followed and was enjoyed until long after midnight. The floor director was Mr. Fred W. Goodsoe, the assistant, Mr. John Mackay, and the following acted as Misses: P. S. Master, Warren E. Corkum, William Scott, E. M. Estelle, O. M. Hayden, William Roetler.

—The Kings Daughters Circle of St. Mary's church will give an entertainment in Freeman Hall on Wednesday evening, Feb. 17, consisting of the reading of the scriptures, under the direction of Miss Susan Sharp Pratt. The young ladies will be costumed in the national dress, and the entire songs illustrating the tableaux will be sung by Miss Pratt. The program will also be provided between the tableaux. The tickets are 50 cents and may be had of the president, Mrs. H. J. Jaguth, and members of the Kings Daughters Circle.

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—The Improvement Association announces an old fashioned costume party for Saturday evening, Feb. 20. The costumes of this place are preparing to exemplify the costumes peculiar to the 18th century. A calico gown, given an old fashioned poke, will be considered as appropriate, as a magnificent Indian silk.

—Tuesday evening the Newton Centre bowling team defeated the well known Boylston club rollers on the latter's alley in Boston. The game was one of the best the local team has played, and the members are to be congratulated on its success. The score was as close one, the Newton Centre's having about 48 pins in its favor at the end.

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—Mr. Nathaniel L. Webber, for many years resident of this place, died last Saturday evening at his residence on Langley road. Mr. Webber was 69 years old and well known as an active Boston business man until some years ago when he retired from business. The funeral services were held at Mr. Webber's late residence last Monday afternoon, Rev. B. F. McDaniel officiating. The interment was at the Newton cemetery. Mr. Webber leaves a wife and grown up daughter.

—The committee of the Newton winter tennis club's tournament, March 1, consists of Walter L. Sanborn, William H. Bee, Fred H. Hovey, Harry J. Ayer, Edward M. Noyes, George L. West and Edwin Sheafe. Matches will be best two in three sets, except in the finals, which will be best three in five odd sets and all sets in the final match to be played and advantage. National association handicaps will be used as far as possible. Play will begin promptly at 2.30 and 7.30 p. m.

—At the meeting of the Baptist Sunday School Superintendent's Association at Gil-bert hall, Tremont Temple, last Monday afternoon, Prof. Rush Pines of the Newton theological institution was one of the principal speakers. In the general discussion on "The Books of Acts in the Light of Modern Scholarship" he opened the subject with the question "Where were the churches of Galatia?" He showed that these were the churches established by Paul on his first mission.

—At the beautiful residence of Mrs. Arthur Hodges of Ashton park, was given on Thursday, Feb. 4th, a large reception to Mrs. Samuel Barnes, wife of a former pastor of this place. Guests to the number of two hundred were entertained in a dainty charming manner. Music by Miss Gertrude Nelson and Miss Spence added greatly to the enjoyment of the guests. Mrs. Kendall of this place and Mrs. Frederic Johnson of Eliot served chocolate and coffee, while the Misses Nelson, Dickinson, Beal, Spear, Haskell and Miss Lillian

CHAPEL REMODELED.

PRES. ALVAH HOVEY, REV. HENRY M. KING AND OTHERS MAKE ADDRESSES.

The remodeled chapel of the Newton Theological Institution at Newton Centre was dedicated Wednesday afternoon with appropriate services.

The exercises were held in the chapel, and were largely attended by the students and alumni of the institution, and by a large number of prominent Baptist clergymen of Boston and neighboring places.

The chancel was elaborately decorated with orchids and white chrysanthemums.

After prayer by the president of the institution, Rev. Dr. Alvah Hovey, Mr. Stephen Green of Newton Centre, chairman of the building committee, presented the report of that committee, and formally turned the building over to the trustees.

The building was received in behalf of the trustees by Hon. William A. Munroe, their president. Brief addresses were made by Rev. Alvah Hovey and Rev. Henry A. King. A poem, written for the occasion by Hon. Henry S. Washburn, was read by the author. Students sang a hymn written by Prof. James D. Knowles, and sung at the first dedication of the building. The services closed with the benedictory prayer by Rev. Benjamin A. Greene.

After the exercises the chapel was inspected by the guests and students.

The remodeled chapel is part of the Colby hall, which was used as the office of the institute before the erection of the new library building a year ago made it possible to utilize it for a chapel.

It has been remodeled to conform in architectural details with Colby hall, and the building is now one of the handsomest connected with the theological school.

The changes were made under the direction of Kendall & Stevens of Boston, and cost about \$7500, exclusive of the memorial windows, which were contributed by private individuals, classes and societies.

The principal changes were the removal of the organ stand roof, the cutting down of the walls, the enlargement of the memorial windows and covering the building with an open timbered gothic roof.

The design of the remodeled building is graceful, and the interior is finished in quartered oak, while the exposed rafters are of cedar.

The interior arrangements give space in each transept for three large memorial windows. There are stairs on the pulpit platform for nine professors, and the seating capacity of the building is about 200.

The memorial windows are the gifts of the friends of Prof. Oakman S. Stearns, Rev. S. L. Caldwell, Herman Jewett, and Mr. Train, A. S. Train and Prof. James D. Knowles, all of whom were formerly connected with the institution.

The changes made under the direction of the building committee made up of the trustees, Stephen Green, Rev. George E. Merrill and A. S. Hibbard of Boston.

An Expert In Stale Lager.

A well known newspaper man was once a witness in the police court in a case in which a saloon keeper was charged with selling lager beer during the prohibition era. Captain Isaac Glenn appeared for the defendant. The reporter was placed on the stand for the prosecution. The witness testified to having tasted the beer, which was being sold under the name of "rice beer," after it was brought to the police station and swore to the best of his judgment that it was stale lager beer.

Captain Glenn took the witness and smiled confidently as he testified. "You say it was stale lager beer you tasted?" placing a heavy emphasis on the word "stale."

"Yes, sir."

"Isn't it true that people who drink lager beer always drink it fresh?"

"Yes, sir, that is true."

"Then tell the court how you ever became an expert on stale beer."

The witness seemed a clincher, but the reporter composedly replied:

"When I was a youth, my father used to keep keg beer at home in summer, and on account of my age did not allow me to drink it. When the keg became flat or stale, it was rolled under the woodshed and a fresh one put on tap. I would go to the woodshed at the eventide and partake freely of what was left in the discarded kegs. In fact, you might say, Captain Glenn, that I was raised on stale lager beer."

The witness was told to "come down."

—Atlanta Constitution.

The Old Cambridge Bridge.

You now cross the bridge at night through a circle of radiant lights glancing in brilliant rays through all the suburbs, but in the old nights there was here and there in the distance a dim oil lamp. In time oil gave place to kerosene, then came gas, then electricity, and still the brighter the lamps the more they multiplied. The river itself was different. There were far more vessels, and I have myself been hailed on the bridge and offered money to pilot a coasting schooner to Watertown. Seals also came above the wharves and gave Lowell the material for one of his best stories, but one which he never, I think, quite ventured to print. He saw two farmers had watching from the bridge one of these visitors as he played in the water. "Waal, now," said one of the youths, "he them kind o' critters common up this way, do ye suppose? Be they—or be they?" "Waal," responded the other, "dunno they be and dunno ez they be. This perfect power of New England speech, twin blossoms on one stem, delighted Lowell hugely, and it was so unexemplified in my own experience that it always inspired in me a slight feeling, as being too good to be true."—Collected T. W. Higginson in Atlantic.

—List of letters unclaimed in the post office: Mrs. Alice Jones, Ida May, Hilda Johnson, M. S. Brown, W. S. White, Wennie Allen, James Skinner, P. G. Miller, Charles E. Fuller.

—At the eighth annual reunion of the grammar school graduates of Newton Upper Falls, held at that place last week, Mr. Louis K. Harlow gave a brief address on "A Hamlet Through Holland."

John E. Russell thinks, like a good many other people, that the appointment of Senator Sherman as secretary of state is a dubious one. "Not that I find fault with his name," says Mr. Russell, "for I am one myself, but I never changed my mind so often—nobody ever has." It would scarcely be regrettable in the circumstances if Mr. Sherman should change his mind now, more and decide to remain in the Senate. By so doing he would not only enable Maj. McKinley to select a more generally satisfactory secretary, but also put an end to the unseasonable wrangling now in progress over the Ohio senatorship.—Providence Journal.

Intuition.—She started affrightedly from her slumber. "There's a man in the house," she cried. "Impossible!" "Then it's a very advanced woman!" That was to say, her intuition could not be wholly at fault.—Detroit Journal.

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HOLIDAYS THE WORLD OVER.

In Latin-American Countries the People Work Only 300 Days In The Year.

A computation made a short time ago showed that among European countries the two in which wages were highest and the hours of labor least were England and France, whereas the two countries in which wages were smallest and the hours of labor longest were Italy and Russia. In some countries of the world an explanation of the apparent dearth of progressive industry among the inhabitants is to be found perhaps in the recurrence of holidays of religious, patriotic or purely social character, and many persons who are familiar with the industrial usages in some cities of South and Central America say that there the number of holidays seem to exceed the number of working days. There are in such countries usually not fewer than a dozen church festivals, and there are besides patriotic festivals.

A similar state of affairs exists in all Latin countries and is to be found in the United States, too, when one turns to the legal festivals of Louisiana. There is the holiday of Jan. 8, commemorating the battle of New Orleans; the Mardi Gras on March 2, in New Orleans; Confederate Memorial day in April, Good Friday, All Saints' day, Election day, Louisiana Labor day, on Nov. 25, and Thanksgiving and Christmas days. Florida celebrates the birthday of Jefferson Davis, Texas the anniversary of the battle of San Jacinto and Alabama the day of Mardi Gras. Deducting the Sundays and holidays, the number of working days in the United States, exclusive of the gulf states, is 305. In Russia there are 267 working days; Great Britain has 278; Portugal, 283; Spain, 290; Austria, 292; Italy, 298; Bavaria, Belgium and Brazil, 300 each; Denmark, France, Norway, Saxony, Switzerland and Wurtemberg, 302 each; Sweden, 304; Prussia and Ireland, 305; the Netherlands, 308; Hungary, 312.

It has been found impossible to get any accurate figures from the South American countries, but 200 is the maximum estimate of actual working days in many of them. Of course, if the number of Sundays be subtracted from the total number of days in a year there are left 313, and if one-third of the other days available for work are set apart for holiday purposes it is perfectly clear why there should not be more than 200 working days in a year. In Anglo-Saxon countries and in the United States the special effort of workmen has been not to reduce the days of labor, but the hours of labor in each day, and thus there has been within the last 20 years a larger reduction, really, of working time in the United States and in Great Britain than in the Latin or Latin-American countries.—New York Sun.

HIS SCHEME WORKED.

The Schoolmaster Gained His Point and Had His Morning Nap.

A Vermont man here tells an incident of Representative H. H. Powers' career as a schoolteacher in Timmonth, town of Rutland, in days when pedagogues "boarded round." Powers was a little slow in rising and acquired a reputation for this among those thirty people. In the course of his round of boarding houses of the town he was destined to reach the house of Elihu Cramton, father of the Hon. John W. Cramton, a famous landlord of the Barre Hotel. Cramton was known for and wide as an early riser. His regular hour in summer was 3:30 o'clock and in winter 5 o'clock. He ate his breakfast shortly after the rising hour, and every member of the household had to be on hand. Mr. Cramton learned that the schoolmaster's morning habits were too easy going for that community, and he let it be understood that the schoolmaster had a change in the young man's hour of rising shortly after he reached the Cramton household.

This threat was not long in reaching the young schoolmaster's ears. He formed his plans and bided his time. In the course of events his belongings were transferred to the Cramton house, and he followed them. His room was assigned to him, and he took good care to provide himself with an interesting novel for the first night. When he came in rather late in the evening, he went to his room, bundled himself up—that was not the day of steam heated bedrooms—fixed himself comfortably in a big chair and began his book.

The night was long, and the cold chills played hide and seek up and down the schoolmaster's back, but his candle and his novel held him. By and by it came 9 o'clock. The book was closed, and Schoolmaster Powers left his room, candle in hand. In a moment he was pounding at the door of Mr. Cramton's room, impatiently and emphatically. After his rattat-tat had echoed through the house for some time the old man woke up and yelled out to know what was wanted.

"I want my breakfast," said Powers.

"What time is it?" asked the landlord.

"It's 2 o'clock. This is my regular hour for breakfast, and I want it. Can't you get up and let me have it?"

The old man soon got himself wide enough awake to appreciate the joke and after a slight but very thoughtful pause shouted back, "Young man, you go right back to bed and sleep as long as you want to."—Washington Post.

Gum Chewer's Tongue.

It is admitted by all sensible people that every pleasure has its attendant pain, and that for every indulgence we must pay a penalty more or less heavy.

It is a new idea, however, that the gum chewer is in danger of a disease that, unless checked, may be the direct cause of a serious malady that will in a short time prove fatal. It is in addition a most painful ill, and one which will at first prove an unsolvable problem to the inexperienced practitioner.

The symptoms are a sensation as though the tongue had been burned by a scalding drink. This is followed by red spots and inflammation along the sides of the tongue near the root. The back of the tongue becomes irritated, and round, red, raw looking patches appear.

It would be interesting to study these indications and learn just how widespread this disease is. Certainly those who have suffered from it are fully alive to its unpleasant possibilities, and as it seems to have escaped the notice of most medical men, or the conditions having been attributed to other causes, a thorough investigation would be of great service to humanity and of much interest to science.—New York Ledger.

Invigorating.

Mrs. Smith (thoughtfully)—I'm afraid I shall be too giving Bobby that tonic the doctor left for him.

Mr. Smith (anxiously)—Why, isn't he any better?

Mrs. Smith—Oh, yes. But he has slid down the banisters six times this morning, broken the hall lamp, two vases, a pitcher and a looking glass, and I don't feel as if I could stand much more.—Earp's Bazar.

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Lasell Notes.

Miss Sarah Cone Bryant of Melrose lectured in the chapel on Saturday afternoon upon Current Literature, touching especially upon the local color of the fiction of the day and the quality of its humor. Those who heard her were much pleased with the lecture.

The usual party in the evening to the Symphony.

Principal Bragdon took, on Monday evening, a small party to the Star Course entertainment, the Jubilee Singers and another party under escort of Miss Plummer attended an organ recital in the city the same evening.

Mrs. A. P. Norton has resumed her lectures on Home Sanitation, Monday evening.

On Thursday evening, Feb. 18, Professor H. L. Southwick, of the Emerson College of Oratory, will read "Hamlet, the Man of Will."

Rev. Jesse Bowman Young, D. D., editor of the Central Christian Advocate, St. Louis, Mo., lectures this evening on "Abraham Lincoln, the Typical American," today being the birthday of the martyred president.

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CITY GOVERNMENT.

LIVELY REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN MONDAY EVENING—NEWTON HOSPITAL ASKS FOR THE EXTRA \$3000—HEARING ON THE STREET RAILWAY LOCATION AT AUBURNDALE—OTHER BUSINESS.

Monday evening's session of the board of aldermen, was by far the liveliest this year. In addition to considerable routine business there was a hearing on the petition of the Newton Street Railway for a location at Auburndale. It lasted about 40 minutes, and seemed but a rehearsal of the previous hearings on the same petition.

At 8:05 o'clock, Mayor Cobb called the board to order, with Aldermen Roberts, Knowlton, White, Baily and Hobart present.

Hearings were opened on the telephone company's petition for a location on Church and Richardson streets, on Institution avenue and Chase street, and on Tremont and Park streets. As no one appeared on either side, the hearings were closed.

Elliot J. Hyde and E. G. Clough were appointed auditors.

J. W. Sweet's license as weigher of coal was granted without reference to the license committee.

The reports of the following city officers were received and accepted without a reading: City Marshall, water board superintendent, superintendent of streets, milk inspector, city engineer, Newton Free Library trustees, fire department chief, and city clerk.

A communication was received from the Newton Land and Improvement company, containing a proposition offering to give to the city Bulloughs pond and \$5000 additional for the improvement of the same. The offer was open until March 1st. The city is allowed two years to complete the improvement. It was signed by Jonathan T. Lane and Capt. Weeks acting for the Land and Improvement company.

On motion of Alderman White the communication was referred to the highway committee.

The following communication was received from Hon. J. R. Leeson in behalf of the Newton hospital trustees:

To His Honor the Mayor and City Council of Newton:—We hereby acknowledge the receipt of order 2068, providing for a contract with the Newton Hospital, which was duly received by the president of our corporation and referred to this committee for their consideration.

On examining the contract we find that it is not in accordance with the one already drawn by the solicitor, and agreed to by the finance committee of the previous city government, and which also was in accordance with the amended contract of 1892, and of all subsequent contracts. Inasmuch as it does not provide for the payment to the hospital of the amount received by the city from the State and other cities and towns, for the care and treatment of patients who have no settlements in our own city.

Under these circumstances, we are constrained to state most respectfully, that we cannot recommend to the trustees of the hospital the approval of such a contract, and for the following reasons: We find upon examination, in the conducting of the affairs of our hospital during the past year the expense of maintaining the hospital wards alone, was \$5,166.60, and that the expense for the care and treatment of patients, and other city and town patients not having settlement in Newton, was \$6,507.30.

The probabilities are, that these expenses will be materially increased during the next few years, and in the event of an epidemic, the expense of carrying on the hospital wards alone would be very largely increased.

But even if this expense was not increased, such a contract as is now proposed would leave no provision whatever for the care of the sick of our own city, in the hospital proper.

As is well known the Newton Hospital is purely a benevolent institution. The services of its eminent medical staff, the treasurer, superintendent, and all its trustees, are contributed gratuitously. The high character of the work which it has performed for many years, the superior facilities of which it is possessed, and the satisfactory results of its operations have commended it to be worthy of such liberal support as has come to it, not only from our own city government, but also quite largely from individual donors, and the membership of our churches.

The continuous increase in the number of cases seeking treatment, and the consequent overcrowding of the various wards at times makes it imperative that the very near future additional facilities should be provided, and which will necessarily call for an increasing cost of maintenance. The funds for such increase of facilities will come from those who are glad to contribute from their means towards such a noble and philanthropic work, and its maintenance must rest largely upon those who are its benefactors.

Under the circumstances we are constrained to say that the proposition to reduce the revenues to our hospital at the present time, as contemplated in the contract, would necessitate in many respects, a curtailment of the work which this institution is now engaged in, and to which we cannot feel that public sentiment would give its approval.

We certainly trust that after a careful consideration of all the facts, of the character of previous contracts, and of other work which this institution is now rendering to our community, that the honorable body will be disposed to authorize the continuance of its liberal provisions, at least, as were provided in the contract of the previous year.

L. G. PRATT,
A. LAWRENCE EDWARDS,
W. P. TYLER,
W. P. ELLISON,
W. P. HASKELL.

Alderman Hobart spoke briefly on the matter. He thought it of great importance and urged a committee be appointed to confer with the trustees, and see if the matter could not be satisfactorily arranged. His motion was that a committee be appointed consisting of two aldermen and three councilmen to confer with trustees in reference to the matter.

Alderman White. I think that a rather

unusual document. The city has appropriated \$10,000 for the hospital, and has given as a gift. We get around as best we can and give them \$10,000. Now they stand on their dignity and refuse it. It may be called courage but I call it call. Speaking of other cities in regard to their hospitals I was speaking to a member of the Somerville board of aldermen, the other day, and inquired how much the Somerville hospital received from the city. He replied, "Not a cent, they have to depend wholly on subscriptions." For our own hospital every one has to go into their pocket. I am always glad to contribute. When given them \$10,000 and they refuse to take it, the members of this board must be made up different from me or they'll be sorry they said that. In times like these they should be willing to take the \$10,000 instead of refusing it because we do not give \$3000 more. It is contemptible. It is unworthy of the men who are at the head of the hospital.

Alderman Roberts. If there is no objection I would like to second Alderman Hobart's motion.

Action was suspended until an order had been drawn up.

Mr. J. H. Hunt petitioned for permission to erect a two-story building 21x32, and a one-story building 18x30, both for a carriage manufactory and blacksmith shop. It will be 45 feet from the street front, and the rear will be on the Chesapeake boulevard brook. The petition was granted.

Frank W. Smith and others petitioned for a main drain and common sewer on Commonwealth avenue near Hammond street, Chestnut Hill. Referred to the sewer committee.

The Commonwealth Avenue Street Railway petitioned for permission to extend its tracks over Commonwealth avenue, Walnut street and Centre streets. On this petition a hearing was granted for March 1st, at 9 o'clock.

The Newton & Boston Street Railway petitioned for an extension of its tracks from the present terminus on High street, Upper Falls, down Sumner street, to Chestnut, to Eliot across the bridge to Needham. The communication stated that the company had already been granted a franchise for a location in Needham, and desired to extend the tracks, thus connecting the two villages. Accompanying the communication was a petition signed by 200 Upper Falls residents, who considered the road a convenience and necessity. A hearing was ordered for Mar. 1st, at 9 o'clock.

An order was passed transferring \$5000 from the appropriation for house connections to the sewer appropriation.

Through Alderman Roberts the highway committee reported regarding the communication of the school board in which the city council was petitioned to construct two rooms at the Thompsonville school house. The committee thought it inexpedient at this time. The report was accepted.

E. F. Mills petitioned for a billiard table license in Patterson block, at Newton Highlands. Referred to the highway committee.

Alderman Hobart having drawn up an order regarding the appointment of a committee to confer with the hospital trustees, introduced the same and it was passed. Mayor Cobb appointed Aldermen Hobart and Roberts as members of the committee to act with such members of the common council as may be appointed.

An order was adopted providing for the increase of the reserve police force from 3 to 5 members.

St. Bernard's Aid Society of West Newton asked that it might be granted free use of City Hall for the evenings of February 15th or 16th, to give an entertainment for the benefit of the worthy poor. This was granted.

The trustees of the new church at Waban asked that the mayor be authorized to perfect the title of their property at that place. An order to this effect was adopted.

An order was adopted granting the telephone company permission for a location on Adams street between Watertown and Washington streets.

The hearing on the Newton Street Railway company's petition for a location at Auburndale avenue was then opened.

THE HEARING.

President Coffin of the Newton Street Railway opened the hearing. The road had come before the board two years ago with a similar petition. At that time every one on the north side favored granting the petition. The opposition had been because the street was thought to be narrow. It was 40 feet. The matter went over and came up for a second time. The road did not care to accept the proposition of the city, which provided for the widening of Lexington street, at the railway's expense. The company then asked to have the case reopened, and presented a new petition. This latter was granted but an ambiguity in franchise compelled them to have the case reconsidered, that the ambiguity might be cured.

The road now proposes to run from River to Lexington streets, to Commonwealth avenue boulevard extension, to Melrose street, to Auburn street, to drink fountain in the square, or if this was not granted, it asked permission to run the tracks as previously petitioned for. The plan called for locations on the side of the street.

A communication from George L. Chandler as secretary of the Auburndale Village Improvement Society, was read by the mayor. It presented resolutions against the placing of tracks on Auburndale street 50 feet wide, and also asking that they be not placed until Auburn street has been widened to the width of 60 feet.

Jacob Childs in a letter to the mayor, protested against the location of the road. It would injure his property. He also recommended the street be widened.

President A. D. Chaffin of the Commonwealth Avenue Street Railway spoke. He did not wish to appear as a respondent but wished to say that the Newton Street Railway had not consulted the officials of the latter company in regard to running the cars over its tracks. He wished to serve the right of the Commonwealth Avenue Street Railway regarding the property and management.

Ex-Alderman Plummer spoke in behalf of his wife and himself. The surplus property would be a detriment. Repeatedly President Coffin has told you that the street is 40 feet wide. It has been measured time and time again by Auburndale residents, and found to be from 21 to 24 feet wide, and in some places 18. The people of Auburndale consider it an insult to be asked to give up their property for a street 40 feet wide. Last June the petition had been turned down, and the action commenced by Auburndale people, who were strongly opposed to it.

Mr. Hobart was asked if the road that he had laid in Auburndale. He spoke of the great convenience it would be, and referred to the opposition in rather uncomplimentary terms. He thought the street wide enough. The street, he said, was decent, and not fit for a dog to walk upon. He concluded by presenting a letter to Mayor Cobb, signed by C. W. King, in which the latter favored the plan of an electric road.

Mr. C. A. Miner, speaking in behalf of several residents of the street and himself, said he would object to a location on the side of the street, but not in the center, if the street was 50 feet wide.

Mr. Hobart said it was the desire of those people he represented to have the road running in the center of the street. Mr. Vine D. Baldwin spoke in behalf of Mr. Salmon, a property owner. The latter was opposed to the plan unless the street was widened.

Mr. Frederick Johnson was opposed to the laying of the track if the street was not widened. He was also opposed to a side location. It was not far off before that the street could be a business section. He thought the road should have widened the street when they were allowed to widen the street at the cost of \$10,000. If Alderman White wanted gall he could get a sur-

plus in the street railway company. The fact that the track would be over the sewer main was an objection in itself.

Mr. W. H. Magee was in favor of the granting of the petition. In Arlington, the road was laid over the sewer main for some distance.

Mr. Ware favored the plan and hoped the company would be granted the petition, and some sidewalks constructed at the same time.

Mr. Hobart attempted to indulge in personalities, but was restrained by the mayor. President Coffin stated that Lexington street was 41 feet wide and Melrose street 40. This was according to the city engineer's figures. It may not have been widened to its full width.

The company was anxious to go to Auburndale to get business and under liberal conditions. To make it pay, they would be obliged to carry 80,000 passengers a year. If this number was carried it would certainly be a benefit. The fact that the street was narrow should not prevent such an improvement. It was admitted that Lexington street was a thoroughfare. If it was a thoroughfare for vehicles why not for cars? The question was, would the advantages of the disadvantages? Some real estate would be perhaps injured, and the company was sorry. Of course for this small amount of injury a great many would be benefited. It was the wish of the board of aldermen to respect the rights of the Commonwealth Avenue Street Railway. If the permit for a location was granted, the company would construct a track costing \$3,500 a running foot, excluding the overhead work. If this is put in we cannot contribute to the expense of widening the street. Or the company was willing to repair River street at the cost of \$2000 and construct a side location at \$1,500 a running foot. They had no desire to crowd upon the people of Auburndale. It was a business proposition and should be met in a business way.

Mr. Fred Johnson attempted further in remonstrance. He related a case which happened some time ago when a resident of River street, who had at first opposed the railway location, appeared at a later hearing in favor of it. In the meantime the grounds about his house had been graded by the street railway company. He didn't know how much grading the company had been doing lately. The location should not be granted until the street had been put in proper condition.

Mayor Cobb said it was required of every company asking for a location that plans be furnished. There should be no discrepancy.

Mr. Coffin replied that there was no discrepancy.

On motion of Alderman White the hearing was closed.

AFTER THE HEARING.

The report of the assessors of 1896 was received and accepted without a reading.

The board of aldermen approved the Grant avenue drain was transferred to the appropriation for special drains.

The public property committee reported recommending that the following buildings be insured: High, Pierce, new Adams, Clavin, Williams, and Hyde schools, City Hall, police station, and patrol stable. It also recommended that \$3000 be taken from the unexpended balances to cover the expense of creating a fund of \$9000.

Alderman White thought loss of a building should be met in some way. He thought, however, that instead of insuring the different buildings, a fund might be created which would cover the loss of any one of them. All but one might be insured, but that one be burned and the insurance on the others be of no benefit.

The plan of creating a fund of \$9000 would be more practical than the expenditure of \$3000 for insurance on the other buildings.

Alderman Knowlton inquired how much the valuation and valuation of the company.

Alderman Roberts said about \$302,250, and the cost of the premium about \$600 a year.

It was suggested that the highway stables be included.

Mayor Cobb favored the idea and thought some provision should certainly be made, as a loss of any public building at this time would place the city in a dilemma.

Alderman Hobart suggested that the two highway stables be included in the list.

Alderman Roberts explained that the premium would be increased and the amount appropriated should be made \$350.

The order was then adopted. It provides for the insuring of the High, Pierce, new Adams, Clavin, Williams, and Hyde schools, City Hall, police station, patrol house, and the two highway stables. The amount to cover this was fixed at \$350.

A communication was received from the Newton Street Railway company regarding the erection of the waiting room of the Commonwealth Avenue Street Railway. It was placed in file without a reading.

An order was adopted providing for the widening of a portion of Ellis street, near Boylston street, at Upper Falls.

The sum of \$122,400 was appropriated to cover the cost of the widening.

The petition of R. A. Vachon for two billiard tables in Central block, Newtonville, was presented by Alderman Baily. He moved it be granted.

Alderman White thought he thought the usual plan was to refer the matter to the committee on licenses.

Alderman Baily said no meeting of the license committee had been held. The petition had been presented about three months ago, and the matter should certainly be settled.

Alderman White inquired if the city marshal had consulted him. He knew of no objection.

Alderman Baily thought the petition should be granted. The petitioner had received license before and conducted the places orderly and quietly.

The petition was granted.

The petition of Jerome E. Reagan for an express license was referred to the city marshal.

The telephone company was granted locations on Church, Richardson, Park, Tremont, and Chase streets, between Institution avenue and Cambridge street, also Institution avenue between Albany avenue and Chase street.

At 9:55 o'clock the board adjourned.

Condensed Testimony.

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CHARLES RIVER IMPROVEMENT.

A STRONG APPEAL FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION MADE AT THE LEGISLATIVE HEARING.

The committee on metropolitan affairs gave a hearing at the State House last Friday on the petition of the Garden City Improvement Society of Newton and others, that the metropolitan park commissioners be authorized to expend further sums of money for open spaces along or near the Charles river. The attendance was large. Newton citizens were out in force.

Senator Harwood opened for the petitioners, and after setting forth the importance of the petition, he called upon Samuel L. Powers of Newton.

Mr. Powers told of the necessity of continuing the park system by spending a half million for the purpose named. This was one of the first improvements suggested when the park commission was established. The section between Waltham and Newton Lower Falls demands attention first. We want to preserve the banks of this river, and perhaps eventually make a water way between that point and Boston.

This time we ask for a special appropriation for a special purpose. We do not, however, find fault on account of expenditures made in other parts of the metropolitan district. Newton has passed an order in favor of this measure.

City Solicitor Slocum of Newton was given charge of the hearing on behalf of the petitioners. He called upon Mayor Cobb.

Mr. Cobb said that Newton wanted a specific bill passed in order that the expenditures might be made, as was first intended. There is an emergency which demands that there be some remedy. Speedy action is necessary to carry out the project economically, for the land is being taken up for speculative purposes. The sentiment of Newton, the mayor said, is unanimous in this matter, and they were disappointed when the Legislature failed to make the appropriation last year.

Mr. Slocum here called the attention of the committee to this year's report of the park commissioners, which calls attention to the bad sanitary condition of the Charles river, and he also emphasized the fact that the state board of health had called attention to the unsanitary condition of the river. He believed the most important reason why the appropriation should be made was on the ground of public health.

Mayor Charles P. Pond of Waltham said that the sentiment of that city is in hearty accord with the provisions of the bill. The mayor said the bill should be passed, because of the sanitary condition of the river, and because that now is the best time to make the money out of the river is being eroded, and also because of public sentiment.

Col. Ephraim Stearns, chairman of the Waltham board of park commissioners, said that the great question of the condition of the valley of the Charles river had not been taken care of. He also believed the sanitary part of the matter was the most vital of the whole question. Although in the taxpayers of the city would be doubly taxed, he believed they are all in favor of the asked for legislation. The board of which he is chairman has passed a resolution in favor of the bill.

Dr. E. M. Hartwell, director of physical training of the Boston public schools, said that he was interested in the development of the Charles river banks for a playground in behalf of the boys and girls. He said he had investigated parks and playgrounds abroad, where they were set out for the rising generation. If we don't secure the portions of the Charles river basin seasonably it will cost vastly more in the future.

In conclusion, Dr. Hartwell said: "You can't spend too much wisely for the public health."

Mayor Quincy of Boston was the next to speak in favor of the general idea of the proposed legislation. He thought that undue attention had been given to the development of driveways, etc., in the park system, and that not enough provision had been made for athletic playgrounds. He thought that adequate provision should be made for the masses. He thought that the natural advantages of the section being considered were great. So far as the city of Boston is concerned, he thought the people of that city would be greatly benefited by any public action in the scheme suggested. He was glad to see the director of physical training in the Boston schools favoring the idea. As to the financial feature of the bill, he thought whatever expenditures are to be made in the extension of the park system, the money could not be used more wisely.

Chairman Las Casca of the metropolitan park commission was asked if \$500,000 was sufficient. He replied in the affirmative, for he thought lands would be donated for the purpose.

Ex-Senator Henry Parkman spoke in favor of the proposed measure.

John E. Abbott of Watertown, in behalf of his town urged the immediate taking of this vacant land.

City Solicitor Harvey of Waltham argued in favor of this specific appropriation.

There were no remonstrances and the hearing closed.

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THE ANCIENT HISTORY AND STRUGGLES,
THE LION OF ST. MARK—ITS PROUD
DODGES AND WARS OF CONQUESTS—ITS
PALACES AND CHURCHES.

Venice, July 15, 1894.
For her "foster child, her inmate man,"
our good mother earth provides dwelling
places according to her necessities. The
necessities are various under different
skies, and are not seldom changing under
constraint of hard necessity. Mountain
and desert, land and sea, provide her habi-
tations. Here, for example, centuries ago,
the Adriatic provided lagoons, seemingly
most unfit for human foot to rest upon, and
washed up sands into islands, numerous
and of various sizes. Fishermen were prob-
ably the earliest to use them. The country
round about the northern Adriatic, occu-
pied by the Veneti and other tribes, was
early and easily Romanized, and the Roman
Aquileia, founded nearly 200 years before
Christ, was no mean city. In fact the Romans set
the limits of Northeast Italy, as they have
since remained. The Veneti gave the name
"Venetia" to the region, and so later to
the city Venezia, or Venice. Later after
the northern barbarians had swept this
portion with the besom of destruction
utterly wasting Aquileia, and sacking other
places on the coast, and had compelled the
inhabitants to flee for refuge to the
rude hospitality of the islands of the
lagoon. That Romans were among those
who thus found safety is proved by tomb-
stones and bronze and other things which
have been exhumed.

Such was the rude beginning of this peer-
less city of the waters. Plainly no man
would have chosen such a site for a town
except under dire compulsion. The way
of selling from a beautiful map town
lots in remote marshy wilderness was not
then. The men who went to those low
islands went because they had to go, and
they had to stay there. As time went on,
living, they made it better worth the while
to live, not by sitting down to be swallowed
up by the waters, but by pluck and hard
work gradually conquering the sea to serve
them. They secured the protection of the
Byzantine empire, and Venice became possi-
ble, and came to be and to stay.

For some hundreds of years its history is
obscure. It became a republic in A. D. 455,
and chose its own rulers, called "tribunes,"
and framed laws for itself. In 697 the
supreme power was placed in one hand.
A Doge (Duke-Dux) was elected for life—
nominally a president, but really a king,
and easily becoming tyrant. The first was
Anafaneto, who ruled 20 years and died
in 716. His successor died in 726. The
city was assassinated because of his ar-
rogance and tyranny. The change, an annual
ruler called "Masters of the Militia,"
were elected till 742, when Doges again
came to power, and continued to preside
or reign till Bonaparte destroyed the re-
public in 1797. The last Doge, Maria, the
last of the Doges, was deposed.

In 808 the islanders repulsed Pepin, and
made themselves virtually independent of
the eastern emperor, and of the empire
which had early been their protector. The
inhabitants were now crowded together
upon these islands—the ones most secure.
One of these, Rivoalto, was selected as the
seat of government, and became the nucleus
of Venice. Angelo Partino, a Venetian
first of the Doges whose residence occupied
the site of the present ducal palace, (819).

It was declared that to secure and perpe-
tuate the prosperity of Venice, it was
necessary that the body of St. Mark, the
evangelist, should be brought from Alexan-
dria and become a perpetual treasure.
Various attempts to get the precious body
were frustrated for many years. The
crowned enterprise and cunning. The
blessed bones were stolen and separately
packed in lead to escape the noses and
fingers of the Turks, and so taken in safety
with great effort. Those only who were
relieved of lead, they were duly buried, and
where, under St. Mark's, they lie to this
day. The saint became the patron of
Venice. His lion, the beast of the
Apocalypse, was emblazoned on the
flags, official buildings, and ships of Venice,
and for a time was stamped on her coins.

For service rendered pork has a lasting
claim on the gratitude of the Venetians.
The Venetian state.

Venice, from its three islands has spread
out over about 120, out by 150 canals,
connected by 380 bridges (more or less). It has
a circumference of seven miles, nearly if
not quite.

The city is divided into two unequal
parts by the Grand Canal, an arm of it
narrowing as it passes through in an ir-
regular, S-like course. Several bridges
cross it in its narrower portion, and con-
nect the two main parts of the town, one of
them being the famous Rialto. Along it,
the Grand Canal, are the custom house, the
principal palaces of men famous in Venetian
history, of the Queen of Cyprus, who
built here after Cyprus was taken by
Venice, of Byron and Browning and others,
banking houses, the great church, the
railway stations, to mention no more.

The other canals, 650 in number as stated
above, all narrow, many very narrow,
all connected with one another, and with
the Grand Canal. The Gulf of Venice
run in all directions through both is one
of the city, lapping and laving the founda-
tions and door steps of palatial palaces
which abound, and of churches which also
are abundant—both churches and palaces
in back alleys as well as on the Grand
Canal. Palaces, palaces, palaces all over.

Here now, says my companion, "just
look at that palace, note its beautiful mar-
bles, and the style of the later renaissance."

"And see too," said I, "the family wash-
ing, linens, flannels of various colors, hang-
ing from the window sills and drying in the
sun."

"Palace once at any rate, before I chided
was written there."

Once Venice was rich, splendid and
mighty. At the head of the Adriatic be-
tween the east and the west, the lines of
commerce flowed through her gates. As
entrepreneur she was in a position to reap
a abundant profit from Orient and Occident.
Her coffers filled. Then her commerce
fell and she was impoverished, if not un-
dermined and growth in power, made her
the object of desire, and so the enemy of
other powers. It became necessary for her
to defend herself against hostile neighbors.
Hers was a military as well as a commercial
spirit. For the sake of her commerce
and for self defense she became aggressive.
A very octopus of the sea she stretched out
strong arms, and drew into her
brace towns and provinces east and west.
Merchants and traders, they became sea-
captains and conquerors. Many of the
Doges were mighty men of war, and were
generals and admirals. Venice came to be
an amphibious giant. Her forces went to
the Levant—she defeated the Turks in Syria
and the Greeks in the Peloponnese, and on
the Aegean. In 1294 Hungary, a great old
Doge, (see "Child Harold"), at the age of
80, added Constantinople to the list of con-
quests. Neater home, Dalmatia felt the
power of Venice; the kings of Hungary
were subdued and Istria and Croatia con-
sented to annexation. The province of
Venetia was absorbed, Cyprus was added
to her possessions, and the Queen of Cyprus
removed her residence and occupied a
palace on the Grand Canal.

In the 16th century the Turks mustered
power, and attacked Cyprus. Famagosta,
on that island, was valiantly defended by
the hero Mark Antonio Bracciano who was
at last obliged to capitulate. After the
surrender of the fortress, in violation of
the terms of capitulation, by order of the
Turkish commander, cruel and faithless as
a Turk, Bracciano was flayed alive. His
skin was sent to his family and was in-
terred in Venice. Busts and portraits of
him show him a handsome man, in the
prime of life, and attest the high regard in
which he is held.

Venice was menaced by the Turks. As
a Christian power she was the defense of
the states, of the church and other western
Christian states. These powers, therefore,
made common cause with Venice, and the
great naval battle of Lepanto was fought,

and the Turks suffered disastrous defeat.

(Read Prescott's account of the fight in his
Philip II, if you have not read it already.)
The present account of the battle is from
John's gallery, and the great Turkish flag-
pole, I looked on them with great interest.

The power and glory of Venice culminated
long after that battle. She could not
long maintain her proud position as a
commercial center after the discovery of
the new world, by a Genoese navigator,
and a Portuguese navigator sailed around
the Cape of Good Hope. Gradually her
hold on Cyprus and other outlying posses-
sions was loosened. In 1797 Napoleon took
Venice and much of Venetia and handed it
over to Austria.

In the Revolution of 1848 Venice again
became a republic, and under Daniel
Manin defended herself against Austria,
for about a year and a half. In 1849 Aus-
trian troops, after a siege of three months,
it till humbled by Prussia in 1866 when she
ceded it to France. Napoleon III soon,
strangely enough, gave it to Victor Em-
manuel.

Napoleon Bonaparte while here was a
vandal, robbing churches and palaces, and
burning the Baccarat for its gold. He
carried to Paris priceless paintings cut from
walls and ceilings of the palace of the
Doges, and the four most famous horses in
the world which he took from St. Mark's.
The horses are of copper gilt, and are said
to have been made in Corinth 500 years
B. C., and to have been removed from
place to place several times before finding
rest high up the front of St. Mark's. At
the downfall of Bonaparte, at the insistence
of Austria, Paris most unwillingly re-
turned them to Venice. For the Venetians
Bonaparte's, if no more, Venice is grateful
or ought to be.

It had been the custom to bury the
dead, of the Christian sect at least, in the
various parishes and in the palaces.
Napoleon put an end to this custom, and
producing practice, by joining two islands
and making a cemetery of them, and order-
ing interments to take place there. But
Napoleon's vandal simply went in the way
other conquerors had taken Venice in, and
imperial and imperious days, had brought
hither not only the horses mentioned above
but also the body of St. Mark, and many a
marble pillar—50 without end within St.
Mark's, and huge stone lions from the
Piræus, which now guard the entrance to
the arsenal—these things and more.

Venice, under the present government of
Italy, as one member of the new state
body, begins to feel the stirrings of new
life. Fresh blood is beginning to fill its
shrunk veins. War ships are again sent
forth from the arsenal and yards, but of
most approved modern make. Whatever
the Venetians have done for Italy, I at-
tended one lecture in one of the public
school rooms. The room was rude in fur-
niture, (very plain seats and desks), but the
wall showed large maps and other modern
apparatus. It was filled with men—some
obliged to stand, all earnest hearers. The
subject announced was "Astronomy." The
lecturer, a feeble looking man, one of the
teachers, a Jew, was full of the spirit of
animation. His lecture was illustrated
by fine views of Lord Rosse's telescope,
of the solar system, of nebulae, etc., and
an orrery. An Italian scholar sat by me
and interpreted for me. I must say that
the lecture was well suited to the hearers.
This was but one in a course.

There is also an institute for the benefit
of sailors; the church lends aid what-
ever with great efforts. Those only who
are of age, and can read and write. Any
minister of religion, who attempts, as
such, to control votes, is severely punished.
Venice, the number of islands, and the
massive buildings of brick and stone
and marble, and its extensive quays, is past
all computation. It is hardly an exaggera-
tion to say that the city is built on piles.
As these wooden supports have borne
their burdens for centuries, one wonders
that the action of the water upon them has
not made them crumble, till he learns that
the water does not act upon them. They
are driven down one foot below the water
level, and heavy stones are piled on the
piles, and solid foundations laid for palaces
and temples, and whatever other structures
are needed. In a few cases, however, as in
St. Mark's Cathedral, there has been some
settling of floors, unequally, here and there,
enough for the foot to feel as one walks
over them, but not enough to make one
notice. Repairs are possible and are some-
times made. In the case of St. Mark's the
settling has probably been due to great
floods, one of which once filled the square,
and submerged the church, and the city.
Floods are not uncommon. Only last No-
vember gondoliers plied their business in
the great square, but the water was not
high enough to enter the church. The
ability to floods is double what it was
formerly, when the Adriatic, driven by a
south or southwest wind, could reach
Venice only by the one deep channel,
through which the cause to the city.
Now that on the north a new ship canal
has been cut through the banks, fifty feet
deep, a north wind takes the sea, a rough
and lays it in the lap of Venice.

Buildings water, and having no cellars
for decaying vegetables, the houses can
be kept clean and wholesome, and they are so
to the best of my knowledge and belief.
From every floor the sewage falls by its
own weight, and is carried into the sea,
then stagnate and become offensive, for
the Adriatic by its tide sends up through
the city a hundred and fifty tongues to lick it
all away.

There are no horses in Venice. There
have been, for holiday pleasure. Napoleon
is said to have had his horse with him, and
to have ridden up the incline to the belfry
of the Campanile. There is really no place,
as there is no use for horses as well as
for men, in the narrow streets, in the public
garden, into and out of "Campos," (small
squares), past church and palace, in market
places, through passages hardly wide
enough for two, winding in and out over
bridges and arched stairways, and coming
at last back to my starting point. If one
must save time, the gay (?) gondolier will
help, and show his marvelous skill in turn-
ing round in the narrowest of canals with
his one oar and non-descript row-locks.

As already intimated, the gondola is the
hansom-cab of Venice, as the small steam-
ers are its train cars. All gondolas are
painted by the laws so ordering, but
many are handsomely finished. For a boat
they carry what Mark Twain calls a com-
bination of comb and hatchet. When the
black hold is on to protect against wind or
rain or injudicious eyes, it does look un-
commonly like a hearse.

One walking through the city will meet
beggars, mute or mumbbling, women most-
ly, and vendors of all sorts of things, as
pumpkin seeds, baked pumpkins, small
mashed, oysters, corn cakes, (the Indian
meal here is excellent), grapes, sausages,
and things for which I know no names.
Pumpkin seeds and small seeds to be eaten
as commonly as seeds in America. The
"Pumpkins" can be seen at any hour of the day
on the quay and elsewhere. In the fish-

markets are eels of great size, shell-fish, un-
like any I have seen at home.
Fuel is scarce. What wood is used comes
from main land, and I have seen nothing
better than fagots and what seems like
gnarled roots of clumps of bushes with a
few inches of the bush attached, awkward
sprawly things, impossible to use in Venetian
stoves, and hard to arrange in an open
fire-place, but burning readily and holding
fire long. This fuel costs the consumer 40
cents for a double armful.

Few monuments are seen in public places
though hundreds are to be found in
churches. The most conspicuous are, 1st,
that of Victor Emmanuel, the first king of
united Italy; equestrian, about the pedestal
groups, representing Venice mourning her
downfall and holding a broken sword, and
her lion in chains, and another showing
Venice freed and triumphant, her lion with
broken chains.

2. The equestrian monument of Colleoni,
a brave defender of the republic, and once
a leader of the Condottieri, the pedestal is
not impressive, but I have seen no horse
and rider, in bronze, that presents so vivid-
ly intensity of purpose and action, in
feature and attitude, as this equestrian
figure. It is a masterpiece.

3. The monument of Garibaldi in the
public garden, the hero standing upon a
miniature rocky island, and a Zouave
soldier, (himself again it may be just be-
low on a ledge of rock.

4. Sarpi, a greater than whom Venice
has ever produced, priest, professor, theo-
logian, mathematician, philosopher, states-
man, historian (of the Council of Trent)
author of many treatises on various sub-
jects; he divides with Harvey the honor of
the discovery of the circulation of the
blood. He was greatly beloved by the
people of Venice, whose welfare he pro-
moted, but hated by the Pope, whom he
had once humbled, and who was bent on
murder him, and paid right liberally his
diabolical agents, who thought they had
stabbed him (Sarpi) to death, but had not
provisionally; he laid down in his writings
300 years ago, principles so sound and
which have become nominally operative
at last, in Italy united under the rule of
Victor Emmanuel and his son, the present
king, and which will, when actually
adopted and put in practice, break Italy
great. Rev. Dr. Robertson, pastor of the
Presbyterian (Scotch) church, in Venice,
has had free access to papers left by Sarpi,
and has published a book concerning him,
a work abounding in interest.

Other monuments I leave unmentioned.
Venice counts over 100 churches within
her borders, some very beautiful, some very
plain, and some very ugly, being over-
laid with Baroque ornament. The interiors
of most are well worth seeing, especially
the cathedral, the church of the "Frari,"
and that of Sts. John and Paul.

A word more of palaces. Byron polluted
one, and his illegitimate son of Robert and
Elizabeth Barrett Browning, is said to be
polluting another bought for him by his
American wife, who has been driven off
by his heavily besotted and syphilitic
husband. I must mention the "Lido" an island,
the most interesting, the most useful and
necessary to the city. It is two or three
miles out, is 3 or 4 miles long, and 1-2 mile
or more broad. It is a break water,
and as defence, being very heavily forti-
fied. An interesting cemetery occupies
one portion of it. A part is under cultiva-
tion. A considerable portion is beautifully
laid out as a place of cool retreat in hot
weather. It is much sought on Sundays
especially, the year through. It is a
fashionable watering place, a long sandy
beach inviting to sea-bathing. King Hum-
bert and his bride, are sometimes visitors
and bathers, and though special accommo-
dations are provided for them, and the
royal house, they prefer often to fare as
their people fare, in the surf, of course,
their subjects lower, then the more for this,
but they love their rulers for other reasons,
love them any how, so they tell me.

It is much that I have written, and I
might add much more, but will not.

Three Away His Canes.
Mr. D. Wiley, ex-postmaster, Black
Creek, N. Y., was so badly afflicted with
rheumatism that he was unable to hold
around with canes, and even then it
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berlain's Pain Expeller he was so much im-
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Union of Newton Club and N. A. A.
The Newton Club Saturday evening
formally took the final steps in the consoli-
dation of the Newton Athletic Association
with the larger social club.
Nearly 200 members of the club attended
the special meeting, which was held to
take action on the report of the execu-
tive committee in regard to the consoli-
dation of the two organizations and a good
deal of enthusiasm was manifested over the
prospect of increased facilities for the
cultivation of amateur athletics in New-
ton. It was voted to accept the proposi-
tion and to purchase the right to the as-
sociation grounds.

This will involve the taking in of 40
members of the athletic association as
members of the Newton Club, and will
probably bring about the meeting of all
the leading figures in athletics on the
Newton grounds this year.
While it is not definitely decided, it is
probable that a committee will be ap-
pointed from both clubs to have charge
of the athletic interests. The financial
matters will be in the hands of the New-
ton Club. It is also proposed on the part
of the Newton Club to erect in the near
future a fully appointed gymnasium on the
athletic grounds on Cedar street.

An amendment to the by-laws of the
Newton Club was adopted, which pro-
vides for the establishment of what may
be termed an athletic department. Per-
sons less than 21 years of age may be
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plication and election by the club, and
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but feels
as if she
were.

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sym-
ptoms
tell
her

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cines that I saw
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THE HOSPITAL APPROPRIATION.

The letter from Hon. J. R. Leeson, president of the Hospital trustees, to the city council, declining to accept the new contract drawn up by the board, and materially changed from that of recent years will be found on another page. The reasons given for refusing the contract are so conclusive, and so fairly stated, that they ought to convince the board that the contract of the past few years should be renewed, without change.

The whole trouble seems to be caused by some friction in the Poor department of the city, which is jealous of its prerogatives, and anxious to make as good a showing as possible. They do not want to see the Hospital authorities usurp any of the prerogatives of the Poor department, and the same trouble has arisen before, but at that time one of the aldermen had a good deal of tact, and smoothed down the ruffled plume of the opposing parties and the whole matter was satisfactorily arranged. A new committee of arbitration was appointed Monday night, and it is to be hoped that they will succeed in settling matters satisfactorily.

One of the aldermen made an amusing speech, Monday night, amusing from its matter and also the lack of knowledge displayed of Hospital matters, but he evidently had been misinformed, and his speech helped the side of the Hospital, rather than injured it, and possibly that was what he intended to do.

One error into which many have fallen, is the idea that an appropriation of more than \$10,000 is asked for. That amount was put down in the appropriation bill, and to make the contribution legal, a contract has to be made, for the Hospital to take care of city patients. It was intended to have the contract only a formal affair, to answer the demands of law, and to make it in any form the Hospital desired. Only this amount is asked for.

But the trouble is over another matter altogether. Many patients are sent to the Hospital who have no legal settlement in Newton, and the expenses of caring for them are collected from the state or from the towns and cities where they reside. The collecting is made by City Alderman Whitney, and his idea is that this money should not be given to the Hospital, which has earned it, but be retained by the Poor department, which would enable the latter to make a good showing, and cut down its expense to the city, and it is this which causes all the trouble.

To cut off this sum, amounting on an average to \$3000 a year, would reduce the Hospital revenues just so much, and interfere with its work, unless citizens could be induced to make up the deficiency, which is hardly probable. In other words, Mr. Whitney wishes to have the \$10,000 given to the Hospital cover all the Hospital expense for the outside poor, and to increase the revenues of his own department by whatever sum is collected from outside. This might mean a saving to the city of this sum, and therefore is in the interests of the city, which is commendable, but the Hospital is of such great benefit to the city, that we do not believe that the people will approve of any arbitrary cutting down of its income in order to help out other departments. The city can afford to take care of its poor, and public sentiment is in favor of making the contract with the Hospital on the same terms as last year, and the years preceding. Economy is certainly necessary, but the Hospital is a very poor place to begin.

INCREASING THE DEBT LIMIT.

There seems to be good reasons for thinking that a grave mistake has been made in asking that as large a sum as half a million should be added to the exemption from our debt limit for sewer construction, as so large an amount of sewer construction will not be needed for a number of years.

From past reports of the engineering department, the only immediate needs are these: Completion of the Highlands extension, not over \$50,000; Lower Falls extension, \$75,000; some extension at Chestnut Hill, made necessary by the rapid growth of that section, not over \$15,000. These would amount to certainly not over \$140,000, as the estimates are liberal, and these are all that there is any immediate necessity of constructing.

The only other main line extension outside of the Oak Hill district, which is so far in the future that there is no need of considering it, is the extension to Upper Falls, which would be a very expensive affair, as it would entail cutting through solid rock for most of the way, and the district is so thinly settled that it will not need sewerage for many years to come, and there is no necessity of borrowing money for it.

From the auditor's report it is learned that the sewer construction to date has

cost nearly \$1,200,000. But out of this is to be taken the assessments that have been collected, so that the one million exemption we have already will more than cover this, and many citizens can not see why half a million more is needed now, when less than half of that will provide for all our needs until we begin to pay off our water debt in 1904. At that time the larger part of this debt will be paid, and the city will be again in an easy financial condition.

The general experience in cities is that there is always a great effort to live up to the outside limit of indebtedness, and the city councils will spend all the money they can. If we get authority to add half a million to our sewer debt, there will immediately be a great demand for the expenditure of all this money, without regard to whether sewers are needed, and extensions will be built in all directions, beyond any reasonable limits.

If on the contrary only what will be absolutely required for the next five or ten years is asked for, all purposes of health and public convenience will be subserved, and the rate of taxation be appreciably affected, because interest and sinking fund requirements have to be met in any event. The fact that one third of our taxes are now expended for interest and sinking fund is a warning that should be heeded.

INSURING CITY BUILDINGS.

What is called the "ridiculous order" for insuring city buildings passed the city council, Monday night. The reckless expenditures of last year, such as the new high school building, new fire alarm headquarters, and a hundred other needless expenditures brought us so near to our debt limit that it was found that if one of the city buildings burned down we should not be able to rebuild it.

It has been claimed that the widening of Washington street and the abolition of grade crossings are responsible for our hazardous position, but this is not the case, these expenses were all foreseen and provided for, and had not the voting of money for everything that came up been so liberal we should still have been in a good financial condition.

In the present emergency the order for the insuring of the city buildings may be the only thing to do, yet there has been certainly a curious selection of the buildings to be insured. One would naturally think that the old wooden fire traps would have been the first to be selected, as they are the most in danger, such as the Mason School, the Bigelow, Underwood, Rice and others, but instead of this the new brick buildings, supposed to be fire proof, and in which the danger from fire has been reduced to a minimum, are the ones chosen.

The order includes the two new brick highway stables, where watchmen are kept all night, and the buildings are rarely if ever left unprotected; the new High school, the new Adams, the new Claffin, the new Pierce, the new Hyde, all built of brick and claimed to be practically fire proof, the Williams building, the old City Hall and police station, and patrol house. In the whole list, the only really dangerous structures are the City Hall, the patrol house, and the Williams school building.

Possibly the new buildings were selected because on account of the fire proof construction the danger from fire is so small that the cost of insuring them would be very low, but this is certainly a very curious reason.

The appeal for the immediate appropriation of money for the improvement of the Charles river, at the legislative hearing, was a very strong one, and it was shown that Newton, Waltham and Watertown were unanimous in favor of the scheme. Mayor Quincy and several prominent citizens of Boston also spoke in favor, and there was no voice raised in opposition. Newton is vitally interested in this matter as it directly concerns the health of the city. The vicinity of the river, which should be the most attractive part of Newton, is in danger of becoming merely a plague spot, to be shunned by all those unwilling to endanger their health. Nature has done a great deal for Newton in giving it the river for such a large part of its boundary line, but man has done nothing, except in the way of destroying its attractions. Below the Watertown dam, the many beautiful sites are rendered undesirable for residence because at low tide there is only a great expanse of foul-smelling mud. Above the dam, the banks are filled with weeds and rubbish, and the pollution of the waters by the mills further up the river, make it a place to be shunned. Above Waltham, a good deal of money has been spent in many places, to render the river attractive, and in others the banks have been left in their wild state, the trees lining the river, and making it one of the most beautiful spots in all Massachusetts. But the locality is being injured by the pollution of the water, and the filth brought down in the floods, and it is only enjoyable in the spring and fall, when the water is high enough to cover the slimy bottom. The expenditure of a comparatively small sum of money would rescue the whole section from the present unwholesome condition of things, and make it one of the greatest attractions of the city along its banks. Here in Newton, we have gone to great expense for sewerage, which is indirectly for the purpose of keeping the waters of the river pure, and a further large expenditure is planned, in order to take care of the drainage from those places, and as the improvement will be more or less directly for the benefit of the whole Metropolitan district, there should not be any doubt of the appropriation of the money needed this year.

SOME papers have been indulging in cheap criticism of Congressman Sprague, because he took his horses and carriages to Washington with him, together with other equipments for making his family's stay there comfortable. There was no display made, even if the things were carried on a special train, and our Congressman certainly had a right to take with him such things as he desired. There is no place in the country where riding is more enjoyable than at the capital, and if a man has fine horses, he would be foolish to leave them at home, and let his family go about in a hired hack, merely because some foolish newspapers in search of a cheap sensation might comment on it adversely. The Bos-

ton Traveller offends both truth and decency in saying: "The only qualifications of this dude for office are the immense riches of his wife. He will represent the Somerset Club, and, incidentally, the 11th district, in a body that is mainly composed of able men. It is a long distance down from Daniel Webster to Charles F. Sprague."

It may be a long distance down from Webster to Sprague, but the same may be said of Webster and Lodge, not to mention others. If the Traveller knows anything of recent history it knows that Charles F. Sprague has shown as much ability in the local and state offices he has held as any public man we have had of recent years, and that in ability and experience he will stand above the average in Congress. Calling a man a dude because he wears a clean collar is very silly stuff for this latitude, and if Congressman Sprague only discharges his duties faithfully and honestly, his constituents will not concern themselves with the amount of baggage his family thought necessary to take to Washington. It is none of our business, as long as they pay the bills. Besides, Mr. Sprague will only follow the example set by the Drapers if he should spend a good deal of money during his term of office.

It was very shrewd in President-elect McKinley to have an attack of the grip, in order to get a few days' rest from the importunities of the office seekers who have swarmed to Canton ever since his election. Ohio is full of patriots who want to serve their country as consuls in some attractive place, or in other positions that have a salary attached, and it is only fair to say that other states are not without their patriots also. Mr. McKinley does not go off on hunting trips, but he will probably find attacks of the grip just as effective, in securing him needed rest.

The public property committee have reported against the addition to the Thompsonville school house. This does not promise to be a good year for extra appropriations, and it certainly seems as if the school board might rest on its laurels for a time. The new High, Pierce and Adams school buildings have had a good deal to do with the using up of the city's capacity for borrowing money. The members of the City Council who stand out against any extra expenditures will this year do the most valuable service to the city.

The city has been given leave to withdraw on its petition that it might be authorized to go into the gas and electric lighting business. Even if the bill had passed, their would have been no danger of anything being done. Last year's expenses were so great as to effectually block anything in the way of public improvements for some years to come.

HOPE springs eternal in the human breast and so the Newton Street Railway does not give up its efforts to get to Auburndale. But costly experience has taught the city that it is not wise to grant street railway locations in a street less than 50 feet wide.

It is thought to be curious that the Engine houses were omitted in making up the list of buildings to be insured, as they are in almost as much danger from fire as the new brick fire-proof school houses and stables.

The Newton Boat Club is at the top of the list, now that its bowlers have won the championship of the Circuit League, and all Newton congratulates them.

ON BEACON HILL.

[CONTINUED FROM FIRST PAGE.] experience that Senator Waltham, whom in certain respects he resembles, a year past. When he states why his committee reported as it did, that is all there is to it. What he says goes. This was illustrated on Monday when the Boston senators began to criticize the adverse report of the committee on counties on the pensioning of a certain deputy sheriff of Suffolk county. Senator Harwood said the man had received \$1700 for several years, and that he was not in need, while to pension him would be a precedent for pensioning all such officers in every county. No one ventured even a reply to this logic, and the report was accepted by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Harwood seems hopeful that the charter will be favorably reported when the committee on cities had a chance to state why it admits that there are certain provisions in it, added after it left the hands of the committee which drew it, that he wishes were left out. Probably I do not need to particularize. Mr. Harwood's committee has three hearings on its hands this morning, and the report of the savings bank commissioners on cooperative banks yet to hear. Probably there are other matters which will reach it in a day or two, for the fact that the floodgates closed down two weeks ago has not prevented the incoming of new matters as yet.

An objection has as yet been raised to Newton's sewer debt being eliminated from her debt limit. The only objection to doing this in all cases seems to be that a sewer debt is not like a water debt. The rates are always paid, and the high level of the case of a water supply to take care of the sinking fund eventually, so that there is sense in the water debt being reckoned out. Mr. Pierce of Milton, to whom I referred last week, has put in a bill to provide that the sewer debt may be reckoned out in all cases. This will not be likely to become a law unless another bill, prepared by Corporation Counsel Bailey, of Boston is also enacted, which provides that in all cities the practice of assessing the expense of constructing sewers upon abutters be abandoned, and a system of rates, based upon the water consumption, be charged for the use of sewers. This is not only intended to apply to new construction, but to be retroactive, and this unfortunate provision will probably fail, unless it is amended out. Mr. Bailey says that he intends to have the sum already paid by those who have been assessed as abutters considered in fixing their rates, but I heard no less high an authority than the speaker of the house express the opinion that that did not prevent the bill from being objectionable to the people of the metropolitan sewer district, at least.

Senator Harwood is going to have too much to do for the next few weeks. I will not say that he will do too much, but if he does not it will be because he exercises his committee, and goes to the committee which suits him best. The committee on railroads has had a sudden influx of business, which came in after everybody supposed that everything was in. The railroad interests are elevated, saw the advantage of putting in simply their petitions at first, and filling bills at the last minute, so that unfriendly interests would have no chance to new counter bills, and this fact kept the committee on railroads from having very much to do at first. They have now certain matters referred to them in joint sessions with the street railway committee, so that Senator Harwood will be well employed, whenever there is a session in the work of the committee on coun-

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ties or that on constitutional amendments, of both of which he is chairman.

The committee on counties has not yet announced the date of its hearing on the petition of the Middlesex county commissioners that they may build a hospital at Cambridge. It heard the petition for \$25,000 for more truancy school buildings at North Chelmsford this morning. Truancy schools are an expensive luxury. \$16,438.19 was spent in repairs and alterations to this very school last year. It cost \$12,307.13 for the support of pupils, and all this could have been avoided had there been a proper system of inducing perfect school attendance. The state board of education has devoted a good deal of time to the truancy question, but has not yet solved the problem. Yet there are towns and cities in the Commonwealth where chronic truancy is unknown, and they do not cost the counties anything for truants, though they have to pay for the schools.

The long-expected elevated railway bill came in last week. It does not greatly assist the rapid transit question, so far as Newton is concerned, but perhaps Newton will be able to get along with electric cars from Boston for a while, so long as they connect with the elevated, particularly if the provision for transfer by elevated from the Southern Union Station becomes a fact.

The Woman Suffrage amendment, which Senator Harwood's committee on constitutional amendments has favorably reported, will come up for debate in the house tomorrow. It will be a field day. MANN.

G. A. R. SMOKE TALK.

REV. A. A. BERLE AGAIN CRITICIZED THE U. S. SENATE.

Rev. A. A. Berle of Brighton was the guest of honor at the smoke talk given by Charles Ward post, 62, G. A. R., in Grand Army hall, Newtonville, last evening. Nearly 200 members and honorary members of the post were present.

After ample justice had been done to the supper Commander H. D. Degen introduced Rev. A. A. Berle, who detailed reminiscences to the visit of the "Ancients" to London, which he described as an international event, of the utmost importance, as showing the hearty goodfeeling existing between England and America at a time when all European relations were strained.

He eulogized the foreign policy of President Cleveland and Sen. Olney, and denounced the efforts of Mr. Olney in behalf of international arbitration. In conclusion he entered into a defense of Ambassador Bayard and characterized his much criticized conduct as thoroughly American. Other speakers were Hon. G. D. Gilman, Commander H. D. Degen, Capt. E. R. Springer, Rev. H. J. Patrick and ex-Mayor H. E. Bothfield.

REAL ESTATE.

The trustees of Roskledge, Newton Highlands, have sold another lot of land on the corner of Boylston street and Woodside road, containing 11,550 square feet, to Mr. William Draper, who has withdrawn the present. He buys for improvement.

Mr. William Draper has purchased eight lots of land on Mountford road and Oak terrace, Newton Highlands. On the corner is a modern dwelling, and the other lots will be improved by the new owner. The sale was made by Hyde's real estate agency.

MARRIED.

RYAN-REISS—At West Newton, Feb. 8, by Rev. C. J. Galligan, Thomas Henry Ryan and Mary Theresa Reiss.

HARDY-MACDONALD—At Brookline, Feb. 9, by Rev. G. C. Lorimer, Archibald Cornelius Hardy and Margaret Ann MacDonald.

MCQUINN- McDONALD—At Newton, Feb. 16, by Rev. J. P. Giffert, Allen McGuinn and Annie McDonald.

LARAWAY-GOODNOW—At Newtonville, Feb. 17, by Rev. Franklin Hamilton, George Milo Laraway and Margaret Goodnow.

DIED.

BURNS—At Newton Centre, Feb. 12, Margaret, wife of John Burns, aged 45 years.

FROST—At Newton Lower Falls, Feb. 11, Grace, daughter of Mr. Otis P. Frost, aged 12 yrs., 1 mo., 11 days.

RICE—At West Newton, Feb. 11, Michael Rice, aged 53 yrs.

DURGAN—At Newton, Feb. 13, Sarah Ann, wife of Silas Durgan, aged 72 yrs., 4 mos.

DOW—At Newtonville, Feb. 13, Ellen M., daughter of Daniel and Ellen Dow, aged 15 yrs., 8 mos., 15 days.

HUSE—At Newton Centre, Feb. 16, George E. Huse, aged 51 yrs., 5 mos., 5 days. Funeral 1.30 p. m., Friday, late residence, Ripley street, Newton Centre. Friends and relatives invited.

KENT—At Concord, N. H., Feb. 14, John C. Kent, formerly of West Newton, aged 75 yrs., 5 mos.

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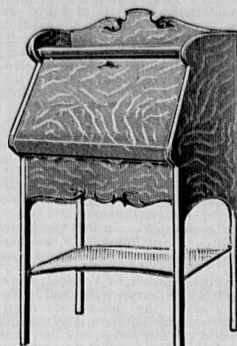
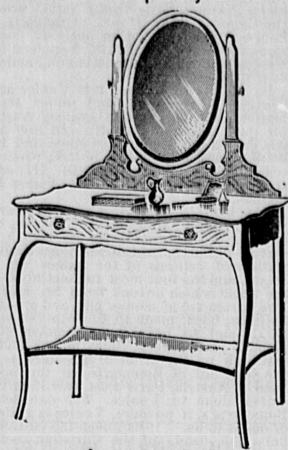
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CONGREGATIONAL CLUB.

DR. CYRUS HAMLIN LECTURES ON ISLAM AND ITS FUTURE.

Monday evening the Newton Congregational Club held its regular meeting in the parlors of the First Congregational church of West Newton.

Mr. Arthur C. Farley, the newly elected president, presided, and some 150 members of the club were present. After the usual supper and a finely rendered vocal selection by Miss Emerson of the Elbow Church choir, the president opened the exercises of the evening with a short address, in which he thanked them for the honor which they had conferred on him in electing him to be their presiding officer. Reports followed of the several committees, and Mr. Seward W. Jones was elected to the office of chairman of the executive committee, a vacancy being caused by the promotion of Mr. Farley. The speaker of the evening, Rev. Cyrus Hamlin, D. D., was then introduced.

Dr. Hamlin opened his remarks by thanking those present for their interest in him in asking him to address them, and stated that in view of coming before such a distinguished body, he had prepared a series of notes for the occasion, but fearing that if he should adhere to them, the latter part of his talk would result in vacant seats, he would refrain from using any notes. He had not prepared to bring before them anything new or what they might not have already read, but simply a few things which he had seen and knew. He would take for his subject, Islam, whence it came, what it is, and when it is going. The history of Islam was divided into three epochs, the first the Saracenic commencing in 632 and lasting to 1050. During this period of about 400 years the Saracens were not idle, but overpowered and conquered Syria, Egypt, Palestine and the countries in the northern part of Africa. Wherever the cross met the crescent, the former was sure to down before it, and although the wealth, art and learning of these subdued countries was absorbed, these advantages could not prevent it sinking in the end, in its own corruption.

The next period following was that of the Seljukian Turks, who crossed the Euphrates about the middle of the 11th century. They were a warlike race and ambitious to rule. Under the leadership of Toghril Beg, grandson of a chief named Seljuk, (whence the name of the several successive dynasties, they severely crippled the empire of Ghazni in 1030, and then turning westwards conquered all Persia. Ten years later their leader subdued the Calif of Baghdad and took the throne for himself. Toghril in 1063 was succeeded by his nephew, Alp-Arslan, who wrested Syria and Palestine from the Saracens, defeated and captured the Byzantine Emperor Romanus Diogenes, and soon won possession of the greater part of Asia Minor.

Alp-Arslan was succeeded by his son Malik Shah, who dying in 1092 left ten sons. The result was civil war among them, and the tearing to pieces of the empire. About this time the Mongols began to threaten on the eastern borders of the state and to conduct raids into it; so at last it came to an end through its inability to govern itself.

About this time, toward the latter part of the 13th century, a little Turkish tribe, numbering about 400 horsemen or soldiers, came from the northern part of Armenia to find a milder climate and pasture grounds for their flocks.

They were a hardy, quiet, people, but tremendous fighters. It happened as their chief Ertughrul was leading them northwards that one day they came in sight of a plain where a battle was in progress between two armies. One force being much weaker than the other, was on the point of being beaten, when Ertughrul dashed forward with his 400 horsemen to their rescue, and succeeded in saving them from their opponents. The force which he thus rescued belonged to the army of Seljuk, sultan of Iconium, and the latter, as a reward for his service, granted him a beautiful valley of Sultanani for his flocks and herds, and at this same place the flocks of this chief's successors have grazed to the present day.

Dr. Hamlin here stated that he had visited this section himself and seen immense flocks of sheep, estimated at 20,000, grazing on its hillsides. Resuming, he stated that these Turks made suzerainty of the Seljukian empire, and their birthplace of the Ottoman empire. Thirty-five sultans have followed Ertughrul in the male line without a break, down through six centuries to the present day.

At present in 1228 was born Osman or Othman, from whom his followers took the name Osmanli, which Europeans have corrupted into Ottoman. This chief set about conquering his neighbors, the Greeks, and asked his conquests to the verge of the Hellespont. His son, reduced Nicaea and absorbed one of the Seljukian states. During his conquests these rulers used a certain degree of wisdom, which contributed to their success. Whenever they reduced a country, they would stop to unify it according to the plans of their own tribe, thus making all one people. They never took possession of a country and then left it to take care of itself. Their advance would for a time be checked by the Greek lords, who would raise an army, fight a few battles, and then retire to their own affairs, leaving the Sultan to mind his. It was during the reign of this second Sultan that a standing army was formed: the first in Europe. Troops of cavalry and infantry were formed, and taught to march to martial music. The life and drum were invented, the only thing the Turks ever knew how to invent, which was adopted by European powers. The Janizaries were formed from 1000 Christian boys, who were stolen by the Turks from their parents. This number was seized every year until a body of 30,000 had been formed. They were converted to Islam, and receiving military training and living on a special diet, adapted to develop their strength, formed one of the most terrible models of infantry known in history. They lasted until 1826 and were always the body guard of the Sultan. In battle they were always held in reserve, and after the main army had won the opposing army was broken, the Janizaries were hurled against them and it was very rarely they did not carry the day. The growth of the Ottoman Empire was very regular until 1380, when Bayezid I, known as the Thunderbolt, commenced to reign. He at once began to prepare for the conquest of Constantinople, intending in time to take Vienna, Rome, and master the whole of Europe. But he was destined to be called to another field to repulse an invasion of the Tartars. On a hot summer day in 1402 he met them near Anzora, and taking to flight, he was pursued and allowing the enemy to fight on their own ground, was overwhelmed and defeated. He refused to flee from the field and with his Janizaries ordered to stem the tide, but all was in vain and he was captured, and died in prison some eight months later. In 1453 Constantinople was besieged by Mohammed II, the Conqueror, and taken. While these events were going on in Turkey, the countries of Europe were devoting themselves to the cause of science and invention. The printing press was invented and the Reformation began to make its presence felt, and America was discovered by Columbus. An attempt on the part of the Turks to take Vienna resulted in a disastrous defeat, and from this time their prestige began to wane. Russia, hitherto an almost unknown country, during the reign of Ivan IV, sent an army against them and succeeded in beating them several times. The Russian emperor arrived at Constantinople, but though unable to proceed far in that direction, the Russians had had their eye on it ever since. Territories were snatched by Austria one after another, until at the present day our

paratively little remains of the Turkish empire in Europe.

The degradation of the Turks, however, came from other sources. Their loss of prestige can be explained in two ways. First, because the officers of the government are no longer given to men prepared for office, and second because any place in the government can be bought and sold. All the heads of administrative power are in the hands of unit persons, who have bought the office and are willing to sell it. Consequently the most distinguished officials are filled by persons incompetent to fill them. Mr. Hamlin said he knew one Turkish official who was hardly able to read and write. He had to hire some one who could, to attend with him in his office. Under the rule of the Turk, the population has decreased from 15,000,000 to 13,000,000, while in England it has increased from 5,000,000 to 10,000,000 in the same time. The Christian world had developed such men as Lincoln, Grant, Gladstone, Bismarck and many others, while Islam had succeeded in developing Abdul Hamid II. The assassin who cannot be forgiven in any country of Europe at any price, not only cannot be trusted as to money matters, but he is a notorious liar and falsifier in all reports coming from his empire. The empire has been going to ruin for a long time.

Dr. Hamlin stated that just when it would get there he did not know, but it had been going so long that the end could not be very far away. With the destruction of Islam he thought, however, it would take on new life, and rise once more as a Christian power. Having concluded his remarks with this hopeful view, the hour being late, the club adjourned.

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Knowing these facts it is not wise to adapt ourselves to our environment, and prevent in every way the seeds of consumption and kindred diseases being sown among our children?

On a rainy day, if our children do not go out of doors they will not take cold, while if they do go out, they may; therefore I should not allow them to go to school of all places, for upon the way their clothing must become more or less wet; they will be wrapped up more than usual and the pores of the skin becoming opened they will perspire freely. They will sit in their steaming clothing in close rooms, and it will be little less than a miracle if they do not take a serious cold.

I was surprised to find that it would only make a difference of six hundred dollars to the city to have the schools closed for a stormy day. Do we consider how small this is when compared with the loss of children in Newton? And suppose even that only a few in each school should take severe colds, the sum of six hundred dollars would soon be spent in doctors' bills.

The poor mothers may not only be obliged to have a drawn battle with their children, who are ambitious for a good school record, but may, perhaps, see their wives incarcerated and then have to take care of a case of croup or pneumonia, and pay for half a dozen visits from the doctor as well.

It is possible in a school like the Allen, where pupils are children, but grown up young gentlemen and ladies, that no objection would be made to attending school in all weathers any more than men and women who go to their business prepared for the storm, and do not suffer.

But children cannot be trusted to take care of themselves and must be cared for so well that they cannot receive harm, and the children of the grammar and primary schools should not be encouraged to expose themselves to bad weather. By doing this the door is opened to croup especially, to pneumonia, influenza, chronic catarrh and malaria.

While desiring to assist the school management, I have been sorry to see the position which is taken upon the storm signals, and I think but think the mayor is right and that the bells should be rung much oftener than they are.

The mothers in Newton are few who do not enjoy an occasional day with their children at home, and the child has an opportunity for reading and recreation.

Mothers are not all glad to get their children out of the house, by any means, and it is unjust to say that the children will not be properly cared for at home.

If it is noticed that the boys are allowed to play in the snow when there is no school, I should say it is not the boys of doors, but the being in doors with damp clothing which is dangerous, and I can see how a frolic in the snow could be a real benefit to a boy properly dressed and cared for.

We hear no complaint from the teachers, but the facts speak very distinctly. There is no class in this country which is as short lived as that including the Boston primary school teachers, and a leading specialist says that 75 per cent. of his practice is among teachers, and a lady physician also declares that it is rare indeed to find a teacher in good health.

The exposure to all weathers under all conditions is particularly hard for women, and there have been a number of cases recently here in Newton, where teachers have broken down, which might be traced directly to some particularly stormy day when the bells did not ring.

The fact is right, and better still, he is not satisfied with thinking something is accomplished because it is ordered to be done, he sees that it is done, and if necessary, he will do it himself, and we cannot but be glad to know that there is some one on the look out who takes the wheels into his own hands if necessary.

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CIRCUIT KINGS WINDS UP.

NEWTON BOAT CLUB THE WINNER OF ITS CHAMPIONSHIP.

The Newton Boat Club bowling team is the champion of the Little Circuit league. This was settled last Tuesday evening, when the league's short season came to a close, and Newton Boat had defeated Riverdale Casino on the latter's alleys 2476 to 2416.

The schedule was short, consisting of 10 weeks of play. The five teams in the league were Newton Boat, B. A. A., Newton Highland, Riverdale Casino and Chestnut Hill. During the early part of the season, and well along into it, the championship was considered a cinch for B. A. A. Newton Boat was B. A. A.'s most dangerous rival, all along. The boatmen first got by B. A. A. on pins, and then, in the game of last Friday, when the two teams met, went to the front on games. The Boat Club, however, still had to defeat Riverdale Casino to make the championship secure, and this it did Tuesday night.

The game was a good one, and good totals were rolled. The Boat Club's margin was 60 pins. The Boat Club won in the first string, and was never headed. High rolling honors were divided between Coffin and Keith, each rolling 580.

NEWTON B. C.

Bowler	1	2	3	Total
Anshelm	155	150	150	455
Bancroft	149	158	162	469
Bixby	167	173	174	484
Coffin	192	197	191	580
Langley	148	170	161	479
Team totals	811	807	808	2426

RIVERDALE.

Bowler	1	2	3	Total
Sears	177	161	128	466
Keith	186	234	190	580
Grant	166	166	158	490
Groton	138	163	138	439
Wilson	139	124	167	430
Team totals	796	848	771	2415

The other Circuit game Tuesday night was at Chestnut Hill, the home team securing its first victory of the season by defeating Newton Highlands by 38 pins.

CHESTNUT HILL.

Bowler	1	2	3	Total
Weld	128	168	168	464
Coffin	116	150	162	428
Richardson	129	150	157	436
Edwards	139	130	133	402
Williams	150	143	221	514
Team totals	743	761	811	2315

NEWTON HIGHLANDS.

Bowler	1	2	3	Total
Brigham	178	123	133	434
Knight	133	158	168	459
Moore	157	171	172	500
Groton	119	133	132	384
Prescott	161	146	132	439
Team totals	768	732	737	2237

A NEUTRAL ALLEY SEES BEGUN.

NEWTON, BOWLING WITH ONLY FOUR MEN, IS BADLY BEATEN BY ARLINGTON.

The first of the neutral alley games of the Amateur Bowling League of Boston and vicinity was rolled at the Old Dorchester Club Tuesday evening, between Arlington and Newton.

It was a jolly fizzle, not even having in it the elements of a contest. Arlington had practically a walkover. Newton presented only four men, but was in no way to blame. The team started from Newton with its full quota, but on the way one man was taken ill and had to return.

ARLINGTON.

Bowler	1	2	3	Total
Anshelm	126	150	182	458
Whittemore	132	132	137	401
Rankin	108	137	175	420
Dodge	140	170	166	476
Carter	174	191	174	539
Total	740	821	834	2395

NEWTON.

Bowler	1	2	3	Total
Loring	159	171	128	458
Phillips	122	132	137	391
Buntin	102	135	161	398
Savage	128	148	162	438
Total	645	627	600	1872

N. B. C. Wins First Place.

After one of the hottest contests of the season, Friday evening, at the boat house the N. B. C. team defeated the B. A. A. team by a margin of 6 pins, thus winning the first place in the Circuit League.

The home team not only defeated their opponents but gained four pins on their average which is now 2460. Langley of the Newton team did some excellent work from the start and closed the team score with a bunch of strikes and 28 pins in the tenth end. Bancroft, who had rather poor luck on the first and second strings, picked up in the third and ran up a score of over 200 pins, higher than any rolled during the season on either string. This player also made the two difficult spares of 7-10 and 5-7. On the third string both teams tied on a score of 811.

Besides the teams there was a large number of friends or spectators, who had gathered at every point, with voice and tin horn, thus encouraging the home team and rattling the B. A. A. men.

The score is as follows:

N. B. C.	1	2	3	Total
Anshelm	177	172	159	508
Bancroft	142	152	147	441
Bixby	171	177	165	513
Coffin	194	156	145	495
Langley	170	177	171	518
Total	850	824	811	2485

B. A. A.	1	2	3	Total
Walley	157	168	175	500
Barroll	124	155	172	451
Langley	129	170	161	460
W. L. Hill	155	153	139	447
Ainsworth	164	151	136	451
Total	840	826	811	2477

DEFEATED AT BROCKTON.

The boat club team bowled the Commercial last Saturday night at Brockton on the Commercial club's alleys. The home team won by 222 pins. The features of the game were decided spares of Bancroft 5-6-10, Tower 3-7, Crocker 5-7, Kingman 3-10, Bixby 3-10, J. B. Langley 5-7, 5-6-10, Langley 2-7-8, 2-7-8. The summary:

COMMERCIALS.	1	2	3	Total
Tower	161	201	195	557
Crocker	142	172	172	486
Kingman	184	171	177	532
Caldwell	137	165	167	470
Perkins	150	158	168	476
Team totals	792	805	807	2404

NEWTON BOAT CLUB.	1	2	3	Total
Anshelm	136	143	169	448
Bancroft	131	143	125	409
Bixby	154	179	179	512
J. B. Langley	125	129	143	407
Langley	168	135	169	472
Team totals	681	729	625	2035

Our people are growing more and more in the habit of looking to Arthur Hudson, Newton, B. Billings, Newton Upper Falls; E. P. Partridge, Newtonville; J. H. Green, Newton Highlands, for the latest and best of everything in the drug line. They sell Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, famous for its cures of bad colds, croup and whooping cough. When in need of such a medicine give this remedy a trial and you will be more than pleased with the result.

ERRORS IN OUR EYES.

WHY THE USE OF SPECTACLES IS FAST BECOMING UNIVERSAL.

Many Nervous Troubles Traced to Malformation of the Visual Organs—Helmholtz's Discovery of Refractive Errors in the Mechanism of the Eye.

Eyeglasses or spectacles properly adjusted afford in many instances positive relief from a long list of nervous disorders. The human eye is intimately connected with the nerve center of the brain, over which it exerts a strong sympathetic influence. If there is anything radically wrong with the delicate mechanism of the organ of vision, its effect is soon apparent in the nervous system. There may be no signs of trouble in the eye itself, so far as the uninitiated observer is able to detect, but to the expert ophthalmologist the symptoms are increasing and infallible. This is the assertion of leading specialists in diseases of the eye, and it has the unqualified endorsement of reputable opticians. In it may be found the cause for the fast spreading use of spectacles in all parts of the civilized world where the modern theories of medical practice and physiological conditions obtain. The almost universal use of glasses does not indicate an extension of impaired vision in the human race or the existence of any new optical troubles; it means simply that experts are trying by artificial means to remedy the defects of nature.

It is only within the last 50 years that the mechanism of the human eye has been really understood. Previous to 1850, when Helmholtz mastered the details of the workings of this important part of the body and astonished even the medical profession with his wonderful discovery, it was the custom to treat the eye on the same basis as other organs. If a man was clubfooted, the malformation was readily apparent, and the only remedy was in the use of the surgeon's knife. So long as both legs and feet were truly formed and evenly matched, there was no call for medical or surgical aid unless the patient could locate some well defined interior trouble. And so it was with the eyes. If a man was afflicted with strabismus or cataract, it could be easily seen and relief afforded by the proper operation. Not even the most advanced thinkers had any idea that there might be a radical malformation in the mechanism of vision of which there was no outward evidence. Thus it was the wearing of glasses was confined to those old people whose sight was confirmedly bad and to a comparatively few of young or middle aged who by chance found the use of spectacles a help. Sufferers from visual defects were almost as numerous in proportion to population then as now, but their troubles were not understood, and consequently no general attempt was made to correct them.

Helmholtz discovered that it was possible for nature to err in regulating man's vision in much the same way as it might send him into the world malformed in other parts of the body. He found that the eye is subject to what are called refractive errors which seriously affect the powers of accommodation and induce an abnormal strain, which, if long continued, has an injurious effect upon the nervous system and finally upon the vision itself. The range of the visual field depends upon the form of the eye.

If both eyes are perfect in construction and identically alike, the vision will be normal, but Helmholtz demonstrated to the satisfaction of the profession that nature does not always do its work truly, and that many individuals are afflicted with malformed visual organs. To make these malformed organs perform their work acceptably to the owner requires an unconscious forcing or strain on the power of accommodation, which results in a disordered condition called asthenopia. People thus afflicted will struggle along, ignorant of the real cause of trouble, until compelled to consult a physician for relief from nervous affections, when they will be surprised to learn that it is spectacles, not medicines, they need.

Asthenopia includes pains in the eyelids and in the forehead over the eyes, in the top and back of the head and in the sides of the head just back of the eyes and is frequently accompanied by extreme nausea and general debility. When failure to obtain relief by the use of ordinary remedies demonstrates the fact that the trouble does not lie in ordinary causes, the careful physician will at once suggest the consultation of an eye specialist. This usually results in the discovery of a refractive error of some kind which is readily remedied by the use of properly fitted glasses, and in a short time all symptoms of asthenopia disappear. Explanation of this lies in the fact that the glasses restore the vision to the normal state and by doing this stop the forced strain on the powers of accommodation, and in turn relieve the nervous system.

Man is endowed with only a certain amount of what may be termed visual energy. At the early age of 10 years it is easy to note a beginning of the exhaustion of this energy; at 30 two-fifths of the visual power is usually gone, and at 60 years fully eight-tenths of the sight energy of the average individual is exhausted. Women and children are in the main the greatest sufferers from defective vision, because they are, as a rule, the most careless in the treatment of their eyes. The use of glasses is inherent to them as indicating the approach of old age and are only put on under compulsion. Dr. James A. Lydston, an authority on the subject, says there are two extremes to be avoided if the vision is to be retained unimpaired. One is overillumination; the other is underillumination. Too much light is in the end almost as bad as a scarcity of light.—Chicago Tribune.

A Widow's Wit.

"Make the doors upon a woman's wit, and it will out at the casement."

A pretty widow, who is celebrated in her circle of friends for her clever repartee, added to former laurels by a bright dash of wit.

She was entertaining, quite informally, an old clergyman and a handful of family friends. The children of the house were brought to the dining table for dessert.

In leaving the room when the meal was over the younger guests stood aside to allow the white-haired priest to pass out first. He in turn stood aside and gently pushed the youngsters through the doorway. "Angels first," he said, laughing.

He glanced at the glasses as if inviting her to follow next in turn. But the widow, quick as a flash, waived him before her. "Saints next," she said, laughing too.

Going to the Dogs.

Cholly—By Jove, it's getting awfully stupid at the club. Chappie—That's right, Cholly. Only three fellows smoking cigars in the whole crowd today.—New York Herald.



The weakest place in a house or fort, or any place of defense, usually turns out to be that which was thought strongest. The weakest place in a man's body is that in which he esteems himself strongest. Achilles never thought he would turn his heel to an enemy, but it was in that unarmored place the fatal arrow was planted. It is usually the organ in his body that a man thinks strongest, that disease assaults and batters down. Caution a man about neglecting his health and mention consumption, and he will pound his chest and laugh you to scorn. He does not realize that consumption beats down this defense imperceptibly, inch by inch. The lungs once attacked the only weapon of defense is the right remedy.

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NONANTUM.

—Joseph White of Allison street has been ill this week.

—At the home of Mrs. Turner on Rustic street, Wednesday evening, a Cottage Prayer meeting was held.

—Mr. Frank Wheeler, station agent at Benis, is able to attend to his duties after an attack of tonsillitis.

—Mr. Charles A. Worth lead the Y. P. S. C. E. meeting at the North Evangelical church, last Sunday evening.

—Warren Blue, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Blue of California street, has recovered from his attack of diphtheria.

—Miss Henrietta Good, who has been visiting in Frederickton, New Brunswick, has returned to her former home on Bridge street.

—Last Sunday evening Officer Costello found a black horse running down Watertown street, near Chapel. He took it to a stable nearby, where it was later returned to the owner, Philip Gaffney of Watertown.

—Messrs. George Hudson, Francis Tolman and William Morrow attended the convention of the Boston North Baptist Sunday School Association, held in Tremont Temple, Boston, Wednesday, as delegates of the Buelah Baptist mission.

—Through Forknall's real estate agency the Sullivan estate on Cook street, has been leased to Mrs. Katherine Mullen, formerly of Adams street. The house on Los Angeles street, known as the Quick estate, and owned by the Waltham Cooperative bank, has been taken by John Day and family.

—The King's Daughters of the North Evangelical church enjoyed a pleasant evening at the parsonage last evening, as guests of Mrs. Greene. An informal entertainment was provided, followed by light refreshments.

—Last Sunday afternoon at the Buelah Baptist mission was the largest congregation that has been present this winter. Mr. Stephen Greene, was the speaker. Next Sunday Mr. J. Berry of the Newton Theological Institution will address the meeting.

—Charity lodge, L. O. G. T., held a meeting at the residence of Mr. Rueben Forknall on California street, Wednesday evening. After some important business had been transacted, a social hour was spent. Several members of the lodge went to attend the anniversary exercises of the

Democrat lodge at Newton Lower Falls, Tuesday evening.

—This evening at the Nonantum club house on Watertown street, will be played a checker tournament. It is well known that the club members have some excellent players among its membership list, and with several Boston professionals Newton entered, a lively match may be promised.

The little daughter of Mr. Fred Webber, Holland, Mass., had a very bad cold and cough which he had not been able to cure with anything. I gave him a 25 cent bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, says W. P. Holden, merchant and postmaster at West Brimfield, and the next time I saw him, he said it worked like a charm. This remedy is intended especially for acute throat and lung diseases such as colds, croup and whooping cough, and it is famous for its cures. There is nothing dangerous in giving it to children for it contains nothing injurious. For sale by Arthur Hudson, Newton; B. Billings, Newton Upper Falls; E. F. Partridge, Newtonville; J. H. Green, Newton Highlands.

NEWTON UPPER FALLS.

—Dr. Thompson has purchased a handsome new sleigh.

—Mr. E. O. Brown of Chestnut street has returned from a trip to Concord, New Hampshire.

—Several sleigh parties have been driving through this place different evenings this week.

—This evening in Lincoln hall, Newton Highlands, the Echo Bridge Social Club of this place will hold its second annual ball.

—Among the fast steppers on the half-mile track on Great Plain avenue, Needham, the first part of the week, were some fine trotters from Mr. F. K. Hubbard's stable.

A party of residents of this place, drove over to Roberts', Tuesday evening, in Mr. Cahill's large sleigh to tender a surprise party to Mr. and Mrs. William Hill of that place. After presenting their hosts with a substantial gift, an informal entertainment program was given, followed by light refreshments.

—The alarm from box 621 shortly before 11:30 o'clock last Saturday morning, was for a fire in the partially completed house on Chestnut street, near the depot, owned by Station Agent George W. Avery.

The stove used for drying the plaster became overheated, thus igniting a portion of the work. The damage was about \$20. Hose was delayed in answering the alarm by the breaking of a portion of the harness. Only the driver was in the house at the time, and he experienced some little difficulty in repairing the break.

At last Monday evening's session of the board of aldermen, a petition was received from the Newton and Boston street railway company, asking for permission to extend its tracks from the present terminus of High street, down Summer street to Chestnut, to Eliot thence across the bridge to Needham. Accompanying the request for a hearing was the petition, which was recently filed in this place and signed by over 300 prominent business men and residents, asking that the road be granted the franchise asked for. Already the road has been given a franchise by the town of Needham, and it is more than likely that the Newton city council will act favorably. A hearing has been appointed for Monday evening, Mar. 1st, and it is expected that a large number of Upper Falls residents will appear in favor of the company's petition. As yet, there has been no talk of opposition heard, although it is expected that some may object on the grounds that the streets are too narrow.

DIED ON HIS BOX.

A BOSTON HACKMAN FOUND DEAD BY THE ROADSIDE AT WEST NEWTON EARLY SUNDAY MORNING—WAS RETURNING FROM WELLESLEY, WHITHER HE HAD TAKEN A PASSENGER—NO SUSPICION OF FOUL PLAY.

Shortly before seven o'clock last Sunday morning, Officer Albert Cole of division 2 found the lifeless body of a man lying in the snow by the side of the road on Washington street, West Newton, just west of the new bridge over the tracks of the Boston & Albany railroad. He had evidently been lying there some time, for examination showed the right hand and feet to be frozen.

The officer on going to a patrol box near by sent in a call for the patrol wagon and upon its arrival a new discovery was made. On Margin street, near the Putnam street bridge Arthur Young, had found a hack standing with the two horses blanketed.

The harness bore the name of the firm of Kenny & Clark of Boston, and the vehicle had evidently been driven by the dead man. It was taken to a stable and the body was removed to police headquarters, where it was viewed by Medical Examiner Meade, of Watertown, who found no marks of violence except a slight cut on the forehead, just above the nose. On his person was \$7.67, a watch bearing on the inside of the lid the name "Mat Rice," and a key ring, stamped with "Michael Rice, 6 Lyndell place, Boston."

Kenny & Clark were notified of the affair, and at an early hour Foreman Edwards of the stable visited the morgue and identified the body as that of Rice. He said Rice left the stable at 11 o'clock Saturday night to drive a gentleman to his home in Wellesley Hills. Rice was 35 years old, of good habits, and was considered one of the most faithful men in the firm's employ, where he had been 13 years. He had buried his wife about three weeks ago, but he leaves three children.

Medical Examiner Meade pronounced death due to natural causes. The theory that Rice was intoxicated and fell from his seat is not entertained, as Rice was not addicted to the use of liquor in any form. It is probable that he was taken with a fainting spell and fell, and, unable to reach shelter and find aid, died.

There is not the slightest suspicion of foul play as the person whom he had driven from Boston, is known to the police and they accept the idea of assault. The horses were blanketed when the carriage left Wellesley, thus explaining the only strange part of the case.

A strange coincidence is noted in the fact that about ten days previous a Boston herdic driver was found early one morning nearly in the same place, with a bad cut in the head.

Benevolent Association, and that body sent Undertaker Burke to Newton. He conveyed the body to Boston in the afternoon. The Coachmen's Association took charge of the funeral arrangements.

Simon S. Hartman, of Tunnell, West Va., has been subject to attacks of cold about once a year, and would have to call a doctor and then suffer for about twelve hours as much as some do when they die. He was taken recently just the same as at other times, and concluded to try Chamberlain's Cough, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. He says: "I took one dose of it and it gave me relief in five minutes. That is more than any thing else has ever done for me." For sale by Arthur Hudson, Newton; B. Billings, Newton Upper Falls; E. F. Partridge, Newtonville; J. H. Green, Newton Highlands.

WITH SOME WHITE HYACINTHS IN WINTER.

Go to my sweet for me, flowers, and repeat for me.

All that my heart would cry out o'er the waste to her. Pause in the valley now, on the hill daily not. Winged with my love and my longing, oh, haste to her!

Ring your white bells for her—and not any knes for her. Chimes that are fragrant and rich in their rarity.

Bid her be loyal to me, loyal as steel to me. Bid her have faith in me. Bid her have charity!

—Clinton Scollard in New York Tribune.

DR. PERKS' PARTY.

"I think I shall go," said Anthea. "I notice that you generally do go," said her husband.

"Women with clothes always do," said Anthea.

"Where?" said I.

"Anywhere. Augustus likes to generalize, you know."

"Generalizing is pardonable where no exception can be proved," said Augustus.

"I affirm that my wife has never in her life refused an invitation when it has been possible to accept it."

"But to particularize," said I, glancing at the note of invitation.

"To particularize," said Augustus, "we have been asked to a mad tea party, and my wife means to go."

"Don't talk as if I were going alone," Augustus, said Anthea. And we were mute.

"They are not really mad," she went on. "And we have often been there before."

"It's our old friend, Dr. Perks, you know. He has a big house near here, and he receives people who are not quite right. They have hallucinations, or something. But really, they are sometimes very nice, and quite sensible too. Last year we dined there, and there was a Lady Mills staying in the house—really a charming woman. But (wasn't it sad?) she thought she was the queen. In other respects she was as sane as you or I. She talked well, and she played whist exceptionally well, didn't she, Augustus?"

"She won seven and six from me," said Augustus, compressing his lips, "and as she was the queen I could not tell her that I thought!"

"You have to humor them," interrupted Anthea, who had heard about the seven and six before.

Anthea then looked around the luncheon table and remarked that she thought Mabel Dering and Mr. Tapson were the only nice ones of the party, and that there was room for one more in the carriage.

"I should like very much to go," I said firmly.

The carriage came round at 4 o'clock, and at 4:40 Anthea sailed down stairs and remarked, with a smile, that her clock was all wrong, and that she hoped she had kept no one waiting.

It was getting hot, and Tapson and I, who sat with our backs to the horses in the landau and dreamed of hammocks slung under cool, shady trees, cordially agreed with everything she said. Mabel Dering looked a little frightened; she said she hoped Dr. Perks' patients wouldn't "do anything."

Dr. Perks, the butler said, had been most unexpectedly called away. He had left a note for her ladyship. Would her ladyship care to go into the garden and wait? Dr. Perks hoped to be back by 5:30 o'clock.

On a precipitous bank at the bottom of the garden, crawling about on their hands and knees, were four lunatics—a very stout lady, a young man with a wild eye, a pretty, feeble looking girl, and an elderly gentleman. The young man raised himself upright and planted his toes firmly in the bank.

"How do?" he said. "If I start, I'll run into you."

"I can't turn my head," said the stout lady, still swarming laboriously upward. The feeble girl looked round suddenly, and in so doing lost her balance and started down the bank at a run, holding out her arms and crying at the top of her voice, "Stop me, stop me!"

Mabel Dering took refuge behind Anthea, but Tapson bravely held out his arms and caught the flying figure.

"Scotland Yard!" cried the feeble girl, "that was a rummy go! Glad I didn't floor you."

As the afternoon wore on, we discovered that this poor thing's mania was that she was a very fast, sporting sort of girl. She never spoke without using slang or swearing—but always in the wrong place, of course, as mad people always do. Her whole appearance suggested fancy work and Sunday schools, and one could picture her as the happy wife of a country curate.

"We're looking for wires," she said to Tapson.

"Soda water wires, you know," shouted the fat lady from near the top of the bank.

"You must all lend a hand," said the feeble girl. "No shirking!" she called out with a loud laugh, as Mabel and Anthea were stealing away. "You really must help."

"Humor them, humor them," said Tapson, in a professional whisper, going down on his hands and knees on the grass.

"My back is breaking," whispered Anthea to me, kneeling upright and rubbing some grass off her hands. "Couldn't you slip into the house and get a soda water bottle and some wire and pretend we had found it? It might satisfy them."

At this moment there was an unearthly yell from the top of the bank, and then a tremendous crackling of branches, as the fat lady lost her balance and disappeared into some thick low bushes on the other side of the bank.

The elderly gentleman made a gallant attempt to save her, but only succeeded in disappearing into the bushes himself.

In due time we extricated them all; the feeble girl, who helped us in the task, swearing genially the whole time.

After this the whole party declared that wire hunting was over for the season.

"Close time," said the feeble girl.

"I think," said Anthea, "we ought to be getting home. If some one—my carriage!"

"Oh, you mustn't go till Dr. Perks comes back," said the fat lady.

"Besides, there are the lights to see," cried the wild-eyed young man—"green eyes and burn among the grass, and twinkling pale pin" stars, and lights so white a maid might think that diamonds glittered there."

"And cold potato pie," cried the fat lady. "Don't forget the cold potato pie. We can't possibly let you go," she said to Anthea.

"You are prisoners here till Dr. Perks comes," said the elderly gentleman, in a sepulchral whisper.

We had tea in a summer house, but the fat lady drank whisky and soda.

The wild-eyed young man ate cake solemnly and in great quantities, occasionally muttering weird incantations over the toothsome morsel. He seemed much attracted by Mabel Dering, at whom he

glared in a most alarming manner most of the time.

Would Dr. Perks never come!

"I would go with thee into some sweet wild glade and there converse awhile," said the young man to Mabel.

She began to protest to me, and I gathered that she wanted me to test my speed in running by flying to the stables—no matter who might chase me—and getting the carriage somehow.

But I shook my head. I could not leave these defenseless women without a man apiece to protect them.

I saw Mabel, with a pale face and trembling air, led off by the young man. The elderly gentleman gave his arm to Anthea, remarking as he did so, "I am a courtly old gentleman—and as far as I could make out afterward, his ballroom was that he was Sir Charles Grandison."

The pale, ladylike girl who had been lounging in a basket chair, with her legs crossed and a cigarette between her lips, turned to Tapson. "I vote you and I draw the kitchen garden," she said.

They moved off, and the fat lady and I were left alone in the summer house. I had hardly planned how to reach the stables when the entire structure—I speak of the fat lady's figure—began to incline toward me, and the next moment I found that a flower-crowned, youthful looking bonnet was reposing on my shoulder, and the fat lady was sleeping peacefully.

"I can't help it," I called out to Anthea, who gave me a cold look as she passed with the elderly gentleman. Anthea appeared to have accepted the trying situation with a considerable amount of composure.

A mere man, although a lunatic, failed to inspire her with terror. She had a theory, she said, that most men were rather mad, and that those who were shut up were not really much worse than many who wandered at large.

I watched them till they came to a rose bed, when I saw the elderly gentleman pluck one of Dr. Perks' most cherished blooms and present it to Anthea, bowing low and placing his hands upon his heart.

"Madam," I heard him say, "take this poor bloom"—shade of Dr. Perks—"and if for one hour it serves to remind you of the stern old warrior who gave it to you, let that be his reward."

"Oh, thank you, Sir Charles," said Anthea, and she took the rose and pressed it to her lips before she fastened it in the front of her frock.

She hummed him wonderfully well.

The fat lady awoke, and said, without a moment's hesitation: "I haven't been asleep. Where's baby?"

"Here," said the young man, and he and Mabel came into the summer house.

"Oh, Mr. Wells," said Mabel, "don't you think if we were all to be very firm we might get away now? There are Anthea and—Sir Charles Grandison and I think the other two are in the garden. Dr. please find them and let us go home."

She was nearly crying and looked very white. So, leaving her, with some misgivings, I went to the garden to collect the rest of the party.

Here I found my unfortunate friend Tapson a prisoner on the top of a high garden wall.

The pale girl, it appears, had first of all made him fill his pockets with pears and plums, and had then induced him to mount a ladder and sit on the wall. She herself had followed and sat with her on the ladder, making it impossible for Tapson to descend except at the risk of breaking his neck.

When I came upon them in the garden, the feeble girl was still sitting pears and swinging her feet against the ladder.

"You must let Tapson come down now," I said, in a kind, firm voice. "We are going home."

I held the ladder till she had descended, and Tapson following quickly, we all walked up to the house together. Here we found the elderly gentleman and our leave-taking was wonderfully successful.

Anthea said: "I don't think any of you need tell Augustus what it was like." And we swore secrecy.

But the next day we had hardly finished luncheon when Dr. Perks drove up in his phaeton, and by his side sat the wild-eyed young man, looking wilder-eyed than ever.

Mabel became quite hysterical. "Don't let him in! Don't let him in!" she cried. "I believe I'm half-engaged to him. Oh, please say we are not at home."

And then, of course, Augustus had to hear all about it.

"I don't think Perks had any right to place you in such a position," he said. "And he certainly has no right to bribe his patients over here. I'll call and speak to Perks about this tomorrow."

Our worst fears were realized when, the next day, we saw him ride back, looking most strange. His neckcloth was loosened, his eyes were full of tears, and his face was exactly the color of a ripe tomato.

"My own darling Augustus, what is the matter?" cried Anthea.

"I have been threatened with apoplexy," replied Augustus.

"Oh, Augustus! How? What happened?"

"I rode to the ill-fated spot," replied Augustus, "and was slowly approaching the house, when whom should I meet walking in the drive but that conceited old ass, Colonel Blake!"

"I asked him what sort of patients Dr. Perks had at present, and he told me that all the patients had gone and that Dr. Perks had given up his private asylum work and only—"

"Go on," said Tapson, in a hoarse whisper.

Augustus looked at no one, which was noble of Augustus.

"He told me that there is a certain Mrs. Lawrence staying there now with her son—a poet, I believe—who is familiarly called Baby. The poet quotes his own verse upon all occasions. I am told. There is another guest—Miss Langford, an heiress—staying in the house; a great catch, Colonel Blake said, and a sportswoman to boot."

"And—and who else?" asked Anthea, with white lips and a voice that shook.

"No one but Colonel Blake himself," said Augustus.

"But," said I, "I solemnly declare to you, Augustus, that they all seemed to think that soda water wires grow on a grass bank, and every one of them was trying to find them."

"I believe," said Augustus softly, "that our old friend Dr. Perks is in the habit of illuminating that bank at night sometimes. He hangs little lights on to wires fixed in the grass; but the grass grows too long, so his friends said they would find the wires and put them somewhere else. There was to be quite a grand illumination, with, I understand, a cold supper afterward."

"Cold potato pie," murmured Tapson.

The silence that followed was so great that we could hear Augustus' eyelids moving as he blinked at the sun.—Pall Mall Magazine.

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NEWTON CENTRE.

Ivers & Pond pianos, Farley, Newton. Miss Susan E. Robinson has gone to Wellesley Hills for a short stay.

Mr. Mellen C. Bray is reported ill at his residence on Institution avenue.

Mr. Arthur Washburn was in New Hampshire this week on a visit.

Ground has been broken for a new house on the Ward street extension.

Mr. Edward McLellan and family have opened their new house on Centre street.

Excellent skating on Crystal Lake has been enjoyed by the young people this week.

There are letters in the post office for Mrs. Umberto Crosby, Mrs. Frank Lawson and Mrs. T. Ralston.

Mr. Albert R. Swett, who has been visiting friends at Oak Hill, has returned to her home in Boston.

Mr. Kenneth Hitchcock of Mills street has been confined to the house with a severe cold this week.

Mr. Stephen Green addressed a large meeting at the Euclid Baptist Mission in Nonantum last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. G. B. Flanders and family of Paul street will close their residence until the completion of their new home on Langley road.

Next Wednesday evening a coffee party is to be held at the Church of the Sacred Heart. It is given for the benefit of the church debt.

Mrs. E. R. Graves, who has been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Royce of Sumner street, has returned to her home in Hartford, Conn.

Mr. J. W. Berry of the Newton Theological Institution will speak at the meeting of the Euclid Baptist Mission in Nonantum, next Sunday afternoon.

Monday evening a merry party made up of children of the Unitarian church Sunday school, enjoyed a sleigh ride with Mr. A. H. Roffe in one of his large sleighs.

One day last week Miss Mary Hahn of Thompsonville fell on the ice near her home and injured her back. She has been confined to her home since the accident.

Miss Emily Poulsson of Boston will deliver a child nature talk this afternoon in the kindergarten room at the Rice school. Her topic will be "From Nursery to Kindergarten."

At the service in the First Congregational church last Sunday morning, Rev. Mr. Noyes preached a sermon on "The Law of the Kingdom." Miss Annie Gonyon rendered some solos.

Mrs. John Burns of Langley road died Friday morning. She was a resident of this place for a number of years, and had a large circle of friends. The funeral services were held Sunday afternoon.

An elaborate program has been prepared for the reception to George and Martha Washington in Bray's hall, to-morrow evening. An unique feature of the entertainment will be a poster auction.

Monday evening the third in a series of dancing parties was held at the Chestnut Hill clubroom. The matrons were Mrs. Francis W. Lee, Mrs. Henry M. Whitney, Mrs. Arthur B. Denny, Mrs. George Lewis and Mrs. Arthur D. Wainwright.

Henry Scammon, a laborer, while chopping wood near Hammond's pond, Chestnut Hill, Monday morning, was struck on the right leg by a chopping axe from the axe. He was taken to his home in Brookline, and attended by a physician, who took six stitches in the wound.

Pearman & Brooks have issued a very useful pamphlet giving statistics regarding railroad stocks and bonds, and miscellaneous securities and their fluctuations, which will be very valuable to investors. The firm are members of both the Boston and New York stock exchanges.

At the Unitarian church next Sunday, Rev. F. B. Hornbrook will preach. Sunday school at 12. Half Union at 7:30, conducted by the young people. Subject "Jesus, the Light of the World." All are welcome. Monday at 7:30 in the entertainment rooms the gentlemen of the society will give a social to which all the congregation are invited.

On the alleys of the Chestnut Hill club Monday evening, the first of a series of matched pair games were played. The club will award prizes for the winning pair and also for the best two-trick score and best single trick score. Monday evening the winners were Mrs. F. D. Williams and Mr. F. L. Kent, Mrs. H. S. Frazier and Mr. F. D. Williams.

Mr. Henry T. Will, of the firm of Bowker Gay & Will has just returned from a long sojourn in the South. He expresses the feeling of all Newton real estate men as to the bright outlook for Spring trade. Mr. Will has been one of the largest developers in Newton realty, and one of the pieces recently developed, the Flower Land Trust, is now yielding five houses built on it for the spring trade.

Mr. Emery's fourth musicale took place at his house last Tuesday evening. The program was much appreciated and enthusiastically received. It was an evening of chamber music, Mr. M. Sherman, Raymond, violinist, and Herr Wulf Fries, violoncello, assisting. The guests represented Brookline, Boston, Chestnut Hill and the various Newtons. An hour of social intercourse with light refreshments concluded the evening's enjoyment.

The full number of regular members, which the N. A. A., under the terms of the consolidation, agreed to supply to the Newton Club, have been admitted to membership, and arrangements are now being made for the admission of junior athletic members, who will be entitled to the use of the athletic grounds and fixtures belonging to the club, but not to the privileges of the clubhouse. It is expected that the athletic membership will reach about 150.

Tuesday morning at his residence on Ripley street occurred the death of Mr. George E. Huse. He had been ill for some time, though he was able to attend to his business duties until a few months previous to his death. Mr. Huse was 57 years old, and a member of the firm of Murphy & Huse, provision dealers. For over seven years he had resided in this place and was held in high esteem by a large circle of friends and business acquaintance. The funeral will be held from his late residence this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

The first of Mrs. Bird's subscription concerts was given Wednesday evening. The pleasant parlors of Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Parks were filled, the musical and society people of this place being well represented. The program showed a wide range both for the voice and the piano. Mr. Foote was in fine form and never seemed more fully in command of his powers. The Schumann selections were happily rendered, and the five numbers given later were typical styles. Each was struck off with a masterly touch, and although necessarily brief, left a sense of completeness on the mind of the listener. Miss Wood was in fine voice and threw herself heartily into the widely varied parts of the program. Her audience was made to feel at once her dramatic power, and keen insight, and mobile temperament. Singing with her is not an exercise, it is a delight. Mrs. Bird and the hosts were heartily congratulated, as well as

the artists, on the success of this first concert.

—Dr. Fessenden is now driving quite a fast horse.

—Miss Helen Turner has returned to her home in Tennessee.

—Dr. Alvah Hovey and Mrs. Hovey will sail for Europe Saturday, the 27th.

—Mr. E. W. Darrell, the musician, is now selling paper bags for Messrs. Hall & Palmer.

—The case of Prebble vs. Col. Ransom and Mrs. Ransom is on trial today at East Cambridge.

—Miss Amy Murray and Master Teddie Harris of Prebble, will spend a few weeks in this village.

—It is reported that Mr. George Armstrong will go out of the provision firm of Messrs. W. E. Armstrong & Co., the 1st of March.

—Mr. Luther Paul and wife and Mr. George Warren and wife left yesterday for a trip through some of the southern states, to be absent several weeks.

—Rev. B. F. McDaniel will exchange pulpits with Rev. Mr. Hornbrook of Newton, next Sunday morning. Rev. Mr. Hornbrook will deliver a sermon on "The Life of Washington."

—Next Monday morning at the residence of Mrs. John Andrew on Hammond street, Chestnut Hill, Rev. Mr. Hornbrook of the Channing church, Newton, will give his third talk on the plays of Shakespeare. His subjects will be "A Soul's Tragedy" and "In a Balcany."

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—Borrow money on mortgage, from Aban, Trowbridge & Co.

—Developing and printing for amateurs done by E. E. Snyder.
—Mrs. William Baker of Centre street is in New York, visiting her son.

—Mr. J. Wesley Barber, who has been ill at his home on Summit street, is able to be out again.

—Fine French and hall clock repairing in all its branches at W. A. Hodgdon's, French building.

—Rev. William H. Davis, D. D., will be the college preacher at Dartmouth, Hanover, next Sunday.

—Full assortment Violin, Banjo, Guitar and Mandolin strings, also sundries, Theo. L. Mason's Sons, Eliot block, 380 Centre street.

—The Current Events and Literary class of the Methodist church held a meeting with Mr. A. R. Weed on Park street, Monday evening.

—Miss Ada Davidson was in charge of the Epworth League meeting at the Methodist church, last Sunday evening. The topic was "The Cross."

—Messrs. Harwood Sheppard and Herman Tucker, who attend school in Worcester, were home the first part of the week visiting their parents.

—A lecture for the Nonantum Industrial school fund of the Social Science club will be held at the residence of Mrs. J. H. Brooke on Lombard street, on Thursday, March 11th. The lecture will be by Rev. F. B. Hornbrook on "Goethe's Faust."

—The City Point Catholic association minstrel Monday evening repeated their successful minstrel show of last Thursday evening in the parochial hall of the church of Our Lady on Washington street. More than 300 persons were present, and a considerable sum was netted for the church debt.

—Music in Grace church Sunday night: Processional, "Saviour blessed Saviour," Magnificat. Mann Solo Dinitris. Mann Solo for bass. Anthem, "Praised be the Lord daily." Calkin Recessional, "At the Name of Jesus." Seats free.

—The last meeting of the Monday afternoon whist club this season will be held next Monday, at the residence of Miss Gertrude Cummings on Richardson street. On the following Monday the members will meet at the home of Mrs. H. R. Barker on Park street, for the distribution of prizes.

—Mr. E. N. Soulis, the well known and proficient carpenter and builder, has taken the entire second floor of the Woodland Park Hotel, at the corner of Washington and Park streets, where he will have increased facilities for all work in his line, at reasonable prices. His work is always promptly done and gives satisfaction to his patrons.

—At the banquet of the Massachusetts Single Tax League to the association of Massachusetts assessors, held in the American House, Boston, last Saturday evening, were present Mr. H. B. Calkin of this city, treasurer of the league, and Secretary Fillebrown of the Single Tax League and a delegation from the Y. M. C. A. Congress.

—The fourth in the series of informal assemblies was held Saturday evening in the large assembly hall of the Woodland Park Hotel. Nearly 150 of the society young people of the Newtons were present, and dancing was enjoyed from 8 until midnight. The matrons were Mrs. Calvin B. Prescott, Mrs. John A. Kimbrell, Mrs. George E. Phelps, Mrs. Charles W. Loring, Mrs. William L. Lowell and Mrs. Henry H. Carter.

—The suit of John Gannon versus the city, in which the former claimed damages for alleged injuries received while at work in a water-pipe in the Woodland Park Hotel, was this week decided in favor of the city. After the accident had occurred, Gannon had been given about \$300 by the city, and was offered his former position. He declined the latter, and brought suit, with the above result.

—The Newton cycle club held its second annual dance in Armory hall last Monday afternoon and evening. Over 200 couples filled the hall which was elaborately decorated for the occasion. The floor was in charge of Mr. Henry McCammon, who was assisted by Messrs. Edward J. McGrath, William M. Coleman, Lawrence J. Atkins, John Shaughnessy, J. B. Hamill, John McElroy, Boardman Forsyth, M. J. Leonard, Frank Thomas, George W. Johnson, Frank Shaughnessy, Albert W. Farr, James Shaughnessy, Carl Larson, Henry Doherty, James Sullivan, and the reception committee included Walter E. Mars, chairman, Fred W. Johnson, James Morgan, W. D. Shaughnessy, Robert J. McCammon and Edgar Pitts.

—The children of the Junior League of the Methodist church, and their parents were given a pleasant reception in the form of a George Washington party at the residence of Mrs. Charles Lawrence on Newtonville avenue, Monday evening. The house was beautifully decorated with flags, bunting, and other patriotic decorations, and was presented with a miniature hatchet for the buttonhole. The receiving party consisted of George and Martha Washington impersonated by Raymond Barber and Edna Neward and Geo. and Mrs. Lafayette, Eugene Deiter and Grace Leonard. The children were all dressed in the costume of a hundred years ago. After a program of songs, dialogues, and other patriotic exercises, refreshments were served.

—Officer R. B. Conroy met with a painful accident, Tuesday afternoon, as a result of which he has been confined to his home since. While returning to West Newton about 5.30 o'clock, he was met at Adams street by an employee of the Albert Brackett coal company, who requested him to shoot a disabled horse, which was standing in the coal yard. Officer Conroy, in shooting the animal, stood so close to it that he was unable to avoid the body when it fell, and was knocked down. His left shoulder was badly bruised, and his face cut, but fortunately no bones were broken. Officer Conroy is the officer who so bravely searched the tenements in French's block, when the building was on fire last December, in hopes of finding two children supposed to have been left there. He is one of the oldest members of the police force, with regard to years of service, and has already made an excellent record.

—Mr. Charles C. Harrington, a well-known Newton resident, died last Sunday afternoon at his home on Centre street, after an illness of about six months. Mr. Harrington was 71 years and 1 month old, and had lived in Newton for nearly half a century. For 42 years he had occupied the house on Centre street, in which he died. He was a skilled accountant, and had been employed for many years by the firm of A. R. Mitchell & Co., of State street, Boston. He was well known to the older Newton residents, and was a prominent member of the Channing church. His wife and three children survive him. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at the house, Rev. F. B. Hornbrook officiating, and was assisted by Rev. E. H. Hall, formerly of Cambridge, the clergyman who married Mr. and Mrs. Harrington. Selections were rendered by the quartet choir of the church.

church, and the interment was in the Newton cemetery.

—J. N. Corner has leased the Granville Fuller house on Fayette street.

—Miss Sawin of Ayer, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Sawin of Maple street.

—Mrs. L. T. Colby has leased Stephen Moore's new house on Oakleigh road.

—Mr. William Follett of Brooklyn, N. Y. was in town the first part of this week.

—Capt. Brannan of St. John's, New Brunswick, is the guest of Mr. Chas. Burgher.

—The Tuesday afternoon whist club met this week with Mrs. E. P. Tuttle on Franklin street.

—The Chip In Club will meet next Tuesday, at the home of Miss Grace Burt on Charlesbank road.

—A Newton man has bought fourteen acres on Wequaket lake, Barnstable, and will erect a summer residence.

—Miss Mary Childs of Richardson street returned to Smith's college, after a brief vacation at home, this week.

—The Y. M. C. A. wheelman will banquet next Tuesday evening, in the club rooms in the new Nonantum building.

—It is expected that Rev. Dillon Bronson will lead the meeting at the Y. M. C. A. next Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

—Rev. Dr. Dunning of the Congregationalist will occupy the pulpit of the Eliot church next Sunday morning and evening.

—The annual reports of the Pomroy Home corporation are out and those desiring them can obtain copies at the home.

—The Monday Club will meet next week at the residence of Mr. J. B. Goodrich on Church street. Mr. C. S. Ensign will be the essayist.

—Mrs. Mallard of Wellesley has leased the house at the corner of St. James street and the new terrace, owned by ex-Mayor Hibbard.

—Did it ever occur to you that there is no way you can beautify your face better for 25 cts., than have one of Burns' hair cuts, Cole's block?

—The Junior department members of the Y. M. C. A. will hold a social next Monday evening. Supper will be served at 6.30, followed by a business meeting and entertainment.

—Grace church services in Lent, Monday, 4.45 p. m., Tuesday, 7.30, Wednesday, 4.50 p. m., Wednesday, 7.30, Friday, 8 p. m., Ash Wednesday morning, 10.45, evening at 7.30.

—Dr. Haines, who has been conducting a series of religious meetings at Mr. C. A. this week, will leave today for Hartford, Connecticut, where he will continue the course of meetings recently begun by Dr. Judson in that place.

—At the Methodist church on Sunday, preaching at 10.30, and 7.30. In the evening, the sermon will be by the pastor, Rev. Dillon Bronson, and in the evening by Rev. Geo. K. Morris. Epworth League at 6.30.

—The Tuesday club met this week at the residence of Rev. A. H. Twombly on Franklin street. The guest of the evening was Mr. E. B. Haskell, who gave a very interesting description of the work of the Metropolitan Park Commission.

—There was a large number present in Eliot Lower Hall, Wednesday evening, the occasion being the experience sociable of the Methodist society. Supper was served at 6.30, followed by special music. Each of the couples in rhyme "one way" earned a dollar or more for the new church. About \$350 was realized.

—The young men's congressional convention for eastern Massachusetts was held in the Newton Y. M. C. A. rooms last evening. The delegates were present representing "congresses" in Melrose, Boston, Somerville, Newton, and Lynn, and a number of interested auditors were attracted by the debate. The subject of the evening was the "Municipal System." The system was supported by Messrs. Brazer, Woodworth, and Tucker, and was opposed by Messrs. Thrasher, and Hume. The vote resulted in a defeat of the system.

—A pleasing "Communion supper" was given Wednesday evening, in the parlors of the Immanuel Baptist church. An elaborate menu was prepared, and the names of the dishes were given in rhyme. This novel idea proved very amusing, and the young ladies of the Women's Missionary Club and the Farther Lights Society are deserving of much praise for the success of the entertainment. A Chinese costume conversation followed, which added much to the pleasure of the evening. The receipts will go towards the poor funds of both societies.

—James H. Sheridan of Nonantum is reported missing since Sunday morning. He left home shortly before noon on that day to go to Boston expecting to return about 6 p. m. Nothing has since been heard of him. His family have been unable to trace his movements since he took the train at Nonantum. They have asked the Newton police to locate him. The Boston hospitals and similar institutions are being searched. He had only a small sum of money in his possession when he left home. He is described as about 30 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches in height, light complexion, and weighs 160 pounds.

—A substantial addition to the Choir Guild fund was made by the receipts from the two clever dramatic performances given in the house of Grace church, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. At both performances the church parlors were crowded by members of the guild and their friends. The parts were taken by choir members, and the work of each character was greeted with loud applause. The singing of Mr. Sladen and Mr. Hamblen were hits of the evening. The parts of "A Woman's Word" were taken by Messrs. C. N. Sladen, G. L. Sibley, H. B. Day, E. S. Hamblen, W. P. Johnson, and P. R. Whitney. "My Turn Next" was presented by Messrs. E. Hamblen, J. C. Stonemetz, C. D. Bailey, G. C. Arty, R. H. W. Lord, W. D. Poole, and Lane Schofield.

—The concert by the Radcliffe College Glee Club, Pierian Sodality of Harvard, and Master Henry Donlan, attracted a very large audience to the Channing Church parlors Wednesday evening. The program given was an excellent one, and encores were given to nearly every selection. About forty young men of Harvard form the Pierian Sodality, one of the oldest of these societies, and they have an orchestra which does very creditable work. The Radcliffe Glee Club members were all in white, with Miss Bertha V. Drew as soloist. Her selections were sung with taste and spirit, the most popular being "Who is She?" a solo by Miss Josephine Sherwood, with a catchy chorus. The club was encored again and again. Master Henry Donlan's solos made the great hit of the evening, and he was called out again and again, and seemed to enjoy it as much as the audience. His wonderful voice and careful training always make a hearty welcome for him. The concert was for the benefit of the Sunday School, and a handsome sum must have been netted. The singers and musicians were entertained with supper after the concert by the ladies of the church, the Glee Club being chaperoned by the Dean of Radcliffe and one of the professors. Certainly great credit is due to Master Henry V. Drew, who originated this

most satisfactory entertainment, and carried it through to such a successful end.

—Freshly prep. homo. medicine. Hahn's

—A business men's class was formed at the Eliot church last Sunday morning, consisting of 36 members. A committee was appointed to consider plans for the completion of the organization.

—The Watertown selectmen have granted a franchise to the Newton Street Railway Company to lay tracks on Pleasant and Bridge streets, Nonantum. This line is one which will run from Waltham through Bemis and Nonantum to Newton.

—Rev. George E. Merrill, pastor of the Immanuel Baptist church, and Mr. F. E. Adams of Church street, will leave today for New York, and will sail from that place tomorrow on the Steamer Ems of the North German Lloyd line, for an extended European trip. They will visit the coast of the Mediterranean, Egypt, and Palestine.

—Music at Eliot church Sunday next:

MORNING.
Organ prelude.
Anthem, "Lord of our life."
Quartet, "I do not ask."
Organ postlude.

EVENING SERVICE.
Organ prelude.
Anthem, "The path of the just."
Quartet, "Abide with me."
Baptiste.

—Mr. E. P. Burnham has been at the bicycle show all the week, hustling for recruits to the L. A. W. He heads the list at the present time, for new members for '97. Persons wishing to join or renew should favor him by sending their applications once to 25 Park street, Newton, or to the GRAPHIC office. Every one who rides a wheel should belong to the L. A. W., and read the books, maps, and other literature, and also the league discounts at hotels. The cost is \$2 the first year, and \$1 a year thereafter.

NEWTON UPPER FALLS.

—The Quinobequin Association will hold its regular monthly meeting next Tuesday evening.

—Bargains in footwear and gent's furnishings at C. P. Jones, 9 Lincoln street Newton Highlands.

—There are letters in the post office for Mary A. Carter, Rilly Griffith, James W. Hutchinson and S. H. Mack.

—Business is reported as in a flourishing condition at the rubber mills, which are in operation both day and night.

—The Young People's whist club will meet next week at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Hemphill on Boylston street.

—Miss E. A. Flagg of Eliot street attended the session of the grand lodge L. O. E. M. held in the American House, Boston, Monday.

—It is reported that several prominent Republicans of this place will attend the inauguration of President-elect McKinley at Washington, March 4th.

—Prof. James F. Hopkins, who is to lecture at Newton Highlands this evening, is a former resident of this place. He was born here and educated in the public schools. His mother and sister are residents of the Upper Falls.

—There was a general observance of Washington's birthday in this place. All stores were closed and flags were flying on the school buildings and fire engine house. The bells on the Baptist church were rung at sunrise, noon and sunset. Several private celebrations were held at the homes of prominent citizens, and their residences were elaborately decorated.

—Property owners on High, Summer and Chestnut streets have received notice of the hearing next Monday evening before the board of aldermen, on the petition of the Newton & Boston Street Railway for extension of tracks, over these streets to Needham. It is understood there will be no opposition, as the idea has met with general favor among Upper Falls residents.

—The Pierian Club were entertained by Mrs. A. D. Locke of Waban. A fine sketch in the life of the poet Longfellow was read and thoroughly appreciated. After reading a portion of Tennyson's "Quest of the Holy Grail," another version of the same legend was read. Chocolate was served, and a very amusing bicycle puzzle brought the proceedings to a close. Next week the club will meet with Mrs. F. J. Hale.

—Last Wednesday evening was the occasion of an enjoyable gathering of friends to play whist at the home of Mrs. J. B. Crocker and Miss Morrill. Among the guests were friends from Brookline, Newtonville, Cambridge and Concord. The floor director was Mr. John H. Shaughnessy, who was assisted by Messrs. John F. Crowley, E. A. Bowman, M. F. Peck, T. J. Deening, F. O. Froctor, C. W. Chambers, M. E. Lees, M. F. Crowley and George F. Hill. The reception committee included Mr. D. H. Leahy chairman, G. Bender and C. Daley.

—The musical and dramatic entertainment at Lincoln hall, Newton Highlands, Monday night, in behalf of St. Mary's school, was a very successful affair. It was under the charge of Fr. Riordan and the musical portion was arranged by Miss Margaret Sullivan, organist of the church. The tableaux were excellently gotten up, and the farce, "Thirty minutes for refreshments" was very amusing. Those taking part were Messrs. Daniel Leahy, Edmund Daley, John Harding, John Sullivan, Miss Mary F. Daley, Alice Kerrigan and Mary V. Sullivan. The songs were a feature of the evening. "The Holy City," by Mr. Frank Murphy of Boston, being especially well received. Mr. Murphy sang for an encore that stirring old ballad, "The Minstrel Boy." Mr. James Hurley, leading tenor of St. Mary's choir, was enthusiastically recalled after his "Only a Bunch of Violets." Miss Alice Sullivan, a pupil of Sig Rotoli, scored a notable success. Miss Mary Buckley, Miss Mary Daley, Miss Emily Phillips, Miss Leahy, Miss Gauthier, Miss Helen A. Brick, Miss Mary V. Sullivan, and Miss Margaret Sullivan also deserve special commendation. Among the instrumental numbers were Miss Catherine Fitzgerald's piano solo, excellently done, and Miss Margaret Sullivan's selection from "Tannhauser." Many prominent people from Newton, Needham and Cambridge and Boston were present, including the organists from most of the Catholic churches in this vicinity.

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NEWTON CLUB.

More than 200 members were present at the monthly whist night of the club Saturday evening. Progressive whist was played at 40 tables, arranged in the assembly hall, from 8 to 10, and later supper was served. The prizes were awarded as follows: Manning and Wezel first, Brooks and Langdon second, Howe and Lowell third, Marble and Johnson fourth, Hunt and Bridgman fifth.

The bowling management of the club proposes to make the last match, which the club will play in the Boston league competition, a noteworthy event.

The original Newton club bowling team, which contested for first place in the Massachusetts league in 1892, will be reorganized for the occasion. It will consist of William J. Follett, George W. Brown, A. A. Savage, C. W. Tapley and James S. Richards.

The match will be rolled against the Old Dorchester club, on the Arlington boat club alleys. It is proposed to make this match the social event of the league season, and three carloads of Newton club members will accompany the team.

Capt. Bouve's squad from the American club came out to Newtonville Monday and took away the vice-president's trophy of the New England Whist Association, which had graced the walls of the Newton club for four or five weeks. Fifteen to nine was the score. Newton played the usual team—Copeland (captain), Casey, Sprague and Terrell. With Bouve were Fenolosa, Phelps and Ward. The American captain will no doubt claim that Newton's trump-showing leads cost her the match. If there is one thing that Capt. Bouve considers "soft," it is a plain-suit lead showing four trumps in the leader's hand. Capt. Bouve has had a great deal of experience with this sort of thing, and his experience seems to prove that the game of "show-four" doesn't pay.

It may be, of course, that in those games where Bouve "killed" the "show-four" players, it was not the system that lost, but Bouve's superior skill that won; but then equally, of course, Bouve is to modest to assert that.

Next in line for the Morse prize is the Howell Whist Club, which is due to play the Americans next Saturday.

Fashionable Newton was well represented Monday evening, at the regular dinner dance of the club. The affair was one of the most important social events of the winter. Dinner was served at 5.30 p. m. in the large dining hall. The tables were handsomely decorated with asparagus vine and orchids, while a tasteful arrangement of flags served to remind the guests of the significance of the day. At 9, the company adjourned to the assembly hall, which was decorated with palms, rare exotics and cut flowers, and dancing was enjoyed until 1. Music was furnished by Parks' orchestra and by the Clover mandolin and guitar club. The committee in charge of the affair included Messrs. Geo. M. Towle and W. F. Kimball. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Merrill, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Powers, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Lodge, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Conkey, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Elms, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. George Mower, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Manning, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Pope, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Sloem, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Delabarr, Mr. A. L. Brackett, Miss Howard, Mr. Eleazer Kempshall, Miss Kempshall, Mr. Clifford Kimball, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Bowen, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Hunter, Mr. Walter N. Pulsifer, Mr. E. P. May, Mr. Sumner Draper, Mr. A. B. Harlow, Mr. Harry Wiggin.

A subscription whist party will be given at the Newton Clubhouse, on Thursday, at 2.15 p. m. for the benefit of the John Howard Industrial Home for discharged prisoners. Tickets can be obtained from Mrs. Anders.

High School Notes.

The athletic meet is over and much praise is due to the management of the affair for its success. There were no hitches in the program and the meet ran off without a stop. Owens surprised everyone by making a record in the 300 yard dash in 40 seconds, and Barnard beat last years record in the 600 yard dash. All the school team ran in very fast time and completely defeated the Cambridge High and Latin men. There was a very fast set of men in the open 30, and Roche, the clever Harvard sprinter, beat Gould who beat him in the Roxbury meet in the afternoon. Eddie Nielson of Harvard out-sprinted his classmates in the open 600 yard dash with ease.

The drill hall will be open for men who wish to train for the interscholastic meet from now on.

The usual Brookline-Newton debate will take place this year as a challenge has been received from the Brookline men. Let us hope that our men will come out successfully as usual.

The French department of the school will give a French play some time this winter, the proceeds of which will be used to pay for new text books.

With the good showing that our men made in the meet, Washington's birthday, there is no reason why we cannot do something in the interscholastic.

Pomroy Home Donations for February.

Mrs. W. S. Sloem, 4 tickets to concert to be given by Mrs. Edward L. Strong in Congregational church, Newtonville; Mrs. W. L. Allen, Chestnut Hill, shoes, stockings, rubbers, and clothing; Miss Shannon, milk for the month, 4 bbl. apples, 2 bbl. potatoes, turnips, pickles, etc.; Mrs. J. S. Potter, 1 bbl. apples, dress, hat, patterns; West Newton Baptist Sewing Circle, 12 wannel skirts; Mr. I. B. Leeds, pair of skates; Ladies Circle, Eliot church, rolls and scalloped oysters; Mrs. B. A. Ballou, valentines; Mrs. J. Bird, shoes and remnants; Misses Ethel and Edith Earle, magazines; Miss M. Shannon, 5 tickets to Chinese entertainment to be given in Immanuel church.

Daughters of the Revolution.
The Sarah Hull chapter, Daughters of the Revolution, celebrated the afternoon of Washington's birthday with a large gathering at the home of Mrs. M. B. White of Haverhill Hill. After a business meeting of chapter members, the company was seated for a lecture on "The Origin and Development of the American Flag," by Prof. Augustus Bedford. Fifty flags were displayed, and many stories were told of the bravery of men and women in defence of the flag.

The house was decorated with the "Stars and Stripes," and in the social hour which followed the lecture, The Star Spangled Banner, was sung with great spirit by a quartet of ladies.

President Tucker's Lecture.
The president of Dartmouth College, Dr. W. J. Tucker, will speak on "The Master and the Scholar," in the next lecture in the Educational Course, Tuesday evening, March 2nd, at 7.45 in the hall of the new Clifton school, Walnut street, Newtonville. Tickets 50cts. may be obtained at the door.

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COMMON COUNCIL.

THE HOSPITAL APPROPRIATION COMMITTEE
—INSURANCE OF BUILDINGS CRITICIZED.

All members, with the exception of Councilman Whittlesey, were present at the regular meeting of the common council held Tuesday evening. President Davis presided, and called the meeting to order at 7.50 o'clock.

After the reading of the journal the following communications were acted upon in concurrence with the board of aldermen: Petition of J. L. Palmer and others for sewer on Commonwealth avenue, referred to the sewer committee; communication of the Newton Land and Improvement Company relative to the improvement of Bulbough's pond, referred to the highway committee.

Hon. J. R. Leeson's communication, relative to the contract with the Newton hospital, was presented.

It was moved to concur with the action of the board of aldermen. Before the motion was put Councilman Lowell said there seemed to be a good deal of misconception regarding the action of the hospital trustees. He had taken the trouble to investigate the matter and was willing to explain for the benefit of the other members. Since looking into the matter his idea had considerably changed. He had received some figures from Mr. Travelli, which he thought might prove of interest. The number of Newton, other cities and towns, and contagious cases, given by weeks, had amounted to 1555 weeks at a cost of \$16,834. He had heard the management had been criticized as spending money needlessly. After comparing the figures with those of the Waltham hospital, he had found that while Newton patients were cared for at a cost of \$10 a week, the cost of caring for patients in Waltham had been \$13.28. The number of state cases during the last fiscal year had been 529, Newton cases, for which no pay had been received, 186; for which part pay had been received, 391; free cases, 65; other cities, 68; contagious cases sent by the board of health, 516.

Councilman Alvord thought the proper time for debate on the subject was when the report of the joint standing committee had made its report.

President Davis recommended a brief discussion at that time. After several matters, including reports of city officers had been acted upon in concurrence with the board of aldermen, Councilman Dana requested that the city marshal be called upon to give direct information regarding it.

The marshal, it was explained, was at Cambridge. In his absence Sergt. Frederick L. Mitchell was called upon.

In answer to several questions put by different members, Sergt. Mitchell said the increase was necessary. The idea was to have the members of the reserve force report at the station each evening, prepared to fill vacancies caused by sickness or special duty. At present there were four or five vacant routes in different parts of the city. Without the full number of men they were obliged to place the reserve men on regular routes. They received \$2 a day.

The order was passed.

The action of the board of aldermen on several other matters was concurred in. On the order for appropriating \$300 for insuring certain public buildings, there was quite a little discussion.

Councilman Alvord said—We ought not to pass on this too hastily. While deep weight should be given to arguments in favor, something should be said on the other side. Under Mayor Spear's system of not insuring buildings had been originated. The fire department was an efficient one at present, and it seemed unwise to make the expenditure. Several of the buildings were fire proof. The values in city hall were mostly those on which no insurance was taken. He was opposed to the passage of the order.

Councilman Lyman was opposed to insurance of public buildings where discrimination would cover only fire-proof buildings. The plan of railroad corporations was to have its stock insured with a sort of blanket policy. This he considered a very practical plan. An order that discrimination should not be passed. He moved that the title be stricken out.

President Davis replied that there was no title.

Councilman Warren said, at the meeting of the public property committee, at which this matter was considered, in order to bring the matter to a head he had moved that the committee report in favor of the plan. He was not aware that an order was to be presented. In reply to a question of Councilman Potter, he said the value of the property to be insured amounted to \$302,000.

Councilman Potter thought the order should be referred again to the public property committee. There were several things he was anxious to learn: first, the value of the balance of the property owned by the city, and the value of all the property belonging to the city. He did not think it proper to present an order of this kind, unless it could be shown by the committee, to which it had been referred, the reason why it should pass, and the buildings to be insured. He thought the matter had not been properly considered, and favored recommending it to the committee for further consideration.

Councilman Lowell said the presentation of the order was somewhat of a surprise to him. He thought it a little premature. The plan for insuring the buildings mentioned was to be considered by the committee whom he thought would report favorably, but not in the form of an order.

Councilman Dana moved the matter be referred to the public property committee. The motion was seconded and carried.

The claim of Fred Morgan, Jr., for injuries received in an accident, caused by the alleged negligence of city employees, was referred to the claims committee.

Councilman Lyman in introducing an addition to the city ordinance, providing for the care of cattle while being driven through the streets, read an extract from the present ordinance. He had often seen the ordinance violated. Cattle driven through the streets with too few men in charge of the drove, was a danger to pedestrians, besides being a nuisance. He introduced an amendment to section 3, chapter 24, of the book of ordinances, providing for the proper care of cows, sheep, and swine, compelling the owners to have each animal tied with a rope, and kept between the lines. He recommended a strict enforcement of it.

It was referred to the committee on ordinances.

Councilman Nagle presented an order authorizing the repairing of Watertown street, between Walnut and Crafts. Watertown street, he said, was in a very bad condition, and often children were compelled to walk in mud nearly above their shoe tops. The order was adopted.

At 8.52 o'clock the council adjourned.

SCHOOL BOARD.

THE SCHOOL SIGNAL QUESTION DISCUSSED
BUT FINALLY LAID ON TABLE.

An attempt was made at the regular meeting of the school board, Wednesday evening, to fix the responsibility of sounding the no-school signal upon the superintendent. A resolution to this effect was presented by President Hollis, and finally killed by a motion of Mr. Avery to lay the matter upon the table. The latter was carried by a vote of seven to three. The introduction of the order was the cause of considerable discussion, and the majority of speakers seemed to favor the position taken by the mayor.

Mayor Cobb called the board to order promptly at 7.45 o'clock. Twelve members were present, Messrs. Fisher and Crehore being absent.

The reading of the records of the last meeting was dispensed with, and there being no report from the superintendent the first business was the consideration of the finance committee's report.

The finance committee, through Chairman Howes, reported that the school expenditures for the month of February had amounted to \$14,879.46. The report was accepted. The same committee also reported that it was deemed inexpedient at this time to increase the salary of the janitor of the Williams school at Auburndale. The increase had been asked for in a communication received at the last meeting of the board. The report was accepted.

Mr. Howes then introduced an order appropriating \$300 to defray the expense of keeping a horse and carriage for the superintendent's use. He said the matter had been fully considered by the committee members, and they favored the passage of the order. It was passed without any discussion.

A resolve was passed authorizing the committee on text books and supplies to further the study of English composition in the different schools. It was thought that insufficient time had been given to this study.

An order appropriating \$14,879.46 to cover the school expenses of the month of February was adopted.

THE NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL RESOLVE.

President Hollis introduced the following resolve, saying that in order to bring about a settlement of the question of ringing the no-school signal, which had been discussed in public print and by citizens generally, it was desirable to hear an expression of opinion by the members of the school committee.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this committee the best interests of the school department demand that the decision in regard to the closing of schools because of inclement weather should rest with the superintendent of schools.

The motion to adopt the resolution was seconded by Mr. Bond.

Mr. Bond was the first speaker and he said that he thought the decision should be left with the mayor as a rule, that the latter had had the support of the people in his action, though not because of any ill feeling toward the superintendent. There had been many days when the signal had not been rung, when in the opinion of many parents, it should have been. At these times the schools and the children had been greatly exposed to the inclemency of the weather. It was evident that the mayor had carried out the wishes of the people.

Mr. Anders favored the mayor's action and thought the right of ringing the no-school signal should rest with the chief executive of the city and no one else. It had been suggested in letters to the local papers that the present lack had been caused by the children who were anxious to attend and not to receive this. Though the suggestion had been made that many of the parents of the poorer children desired to have their children attend rather than remain at home, that they would probably be willing to care for them on stormy days as well. Generally this class of children were poorly clad and often their clothing had been wet by the rain or snow. The teachers, she thought, were unable to give proper attention to each scholar and see that the garments were dried. One child, caused by this would rest on the shoulders of the committee. The superintendent should have the right to ring the bell, and the mayor also.

Mr. Ward favored the settlement of the matter by an expression of the opinion of the committee members. He regretted any friction between the superintendent and the mayor. He was desirous of having the members of the bell had not been sounded as frequently as it was desired. The rule could be made more elastic and the bell sounded oftener. He was desirous of having the matter settled by a vote of the committee, and considered it a very important one.

Mr. Hardy had heard expressions of opinion regarding the matter and thought public opinion about evenly divided. It was a difficult question to settle. The sounding of the bell could not be done to the entire satisfaction of everybody. He did not like the idea of friction between the mayor and the superintendent, but thought the responsibility should be rested upon some one who would ring the bell judiciously. He was opposed to the passage of the resolve.

Mr. Martin said that the matter of sounding the signal was a rather difficult one to decide. The idea was practically a new one. She sympathized with the teachers, but thought they ought to go out as well as others who are obliged to attend to their business duties. In her opinion the bell should not be sounded unless the weather was very stormy. The teachers were unable to take up new lessons on these days, as many were absent. They could not give the time to help scholars, as generally the ones in need of help were among the absent ones.

Mr. Avery moved the resolve be laid on the table.

President Hollis asked if the question was debatable, and was answered by Mayor Cobb that it was not.

The motion was carried by a vote of 7 to 3.

Mr. Avery said that since the recent fire at the Everett school in Boston he had thought that the plan of inaugurating a system of fire drills in the school ought to be suggested to the committee. The scholars should be taught to become accustomed to the smell of smoke, and how to act in such emergency.

President Hollis said a fire drill had been taught in the high school.

Mayor Cobb added that he had witnessed

the drill in several grammar schools and thought it had been adopted in all.

Mr. Hardy called the attention of the board members to the present condition of the kindergarten at Auburndale. The parents of scholars attending there felt that the present number of teachers in charge were unable to give the children the proper amount of attention. It was not intended for a criticism upon the present head of the department, who was acting in the place of the regular principal of the kindergarten. The latter had been ill since last fall, and it was the feeling of the parents that as she would not be able to return for some time, they thought some one should fill the vacancy caused by her absence. The two teachers now in charge were very competent, but unable to care for such a large class. He introduced an order requesting the superintendent to give the matter his immediate attention and provide a substitute. The order was adopted.

At 8.17 o'clock the board adjourned.

NEWTON HIGH'S INDOOR MEET.

ROCHE BEATS GOULD IN FINAL HEAT OF 30-YARD DASH OPEN—OWENS WINS 300-YARD RUN IN 40S, A RECORD.

The High school armory at Newtonville was packed Monday evening, the annual games of the High school A. A. being the attraction.

The open events were interesting, college and interscholastic stars competing. The closed events were received heartily, and the final event, the class team race, stirred enthusiasm to the highest pitch. When 98 broke the worsted yards ahead of 99 and 97 came in last a great shout greeted the ending of the hard-fought battles of the evening.

The best performances were made in the open 30-yard dash. Gould, Roche, Boyden, Mason, I. S. Clark and several others who ran in the Roxbury games in the afternoon were on hand. In the final heat Roche out-sprinted Gould, turning the defeat of the afternoon, while I. S. Clark was almost flush with them when the winner's time was caught.

The open 600 was run in two fast heats. W. F. Porter, the old Chauncy hall man, now at Harvard, took the first, with Osborne, also of Harvard, second. Neilson, H. A. A., won the second heat in 1m 30.35s, and in the final beat out both his college mates.

The potato race was entered by only six men, but the two heats were close and well run. W. P. Woodbury of E. H. S. won his trial after knocking one of his potatoes out of line. In the final heat there was some discussion about the carrying of the potatoes. Sweeney finished, but was not allowed the place as he had fallen before he crossed the scratch. The judges finally withheld their decision pending protest.

OWENS MAKES A RECORD.

Outside the team races the 300-yard run was the best event. H. B. Owens won in 40s, establishing a new record.

In the team race between Newton and Cambridge, H. and L. Owens took the lead for Newton and held it, and then with each relay the distance between the runners was increased. Hoppy and Chauncy hall were matched in the second team race. Franklin of Chauncy hall took the lead from Huntress, at the start. Maas, the second H. runner, started eight yards ahead, but was passed by Porter. The other Hopkinson men held the lead established and won the race in 2m 38.45s. In this team race each man ran 300 yards, while in the others 200 was the distance. The summary:

30-YARD DASH, CLOSED.

First heat—Won by F. G. Barnum; J. B. Davis and W. G. Harding tied for second. Time 3.45s.

Second heat—Won by H. B. Owens, F. L. Thompson second. Time 4s.

Final heat—Won by H. B. Owens, F. G. Barnum second. Time 3.45s.

30-YARD DASH OPEN.

First heat—Won by A. A. Boyden, H. A. A.; P. Blake, W. C. A. A., second. Time 3.45s.

Second heat—Won by A. G. Mason, H. A. A.; G. A. Sawin, C. M. T. S., second. Time 4s.

Third heat—Won by J. T. Roche, Jr., H. A. A.; I. S. Clark, N. A. A., second. Time 3.45s.

Fourth heat—Won by J. S. Dunston, H. A. A.; J. Sever, B. and N., second. Time 3.45s.

Fifth heat—Won by E. D. Gould, H. A. A.; G. L. Huntress, Hop., second. Time 3.55s.

SEMI-FINALS.

First heat—Won by I. Sever, B. and N.; I. S. Clark, N. A. A., and S. L. Huntress, Hop., tied for second. Time 3.45s.

Second heat—J. T. Roche, Jr., H. A. A., and E. D. Gould, H. A. A., tied. Time 3.45s.

Third heat—Won by T. S. Clark, N. A. A.; A. A. Boyden, H. A. A., second. Time 3.45s.

Final heat—Won by J. T. Roche, H. A. A.; E. D. Gould, H. A. A., second. Time 3.45s.

Team race between Newton High and Cambridge High and Latin. Won by Newton High. Time 1m 47.5s. N. H. S. team, C. H. S. team, Harvard, Tufts, C. H. and Latin team, Garrett, Usher, Winslow, Applegate.

POTATO RACE, OPEN.

First heat—Won by H. Pero, E. B. A. A.; C. J. Sweeney, C. G. A., second. Time 34.15s.

Second heat—Won by C. P. Woodbury, E. H. S.; I. S. Clark, N. A. A., second. Time 33.55s.

Final heat—Won by C. B. Woodbury, E. H. S.; C. J. Sweeney, C. G. A., second. Time 33.55s.

Team race between Hopkinson and Chauncy hall. Won by Hopkinson. Time 2m 38.45s.

Hopkinson team, Huntress, C. L. Porter, H. French, J. W. Jenkins; Chauncy hall, Franklin, Maas, Paul, Stanley.

200-yard hurdles closed—Won by J. H. Barnard 98; F. G. Barnum 97 second, Howard Hackett 97 third. Time 28.35s.

Running high jump, closed—Won by C. White, height 5 ft. 2.12 in.; Leo Therbee second, height 5 ft. 1.12 in.; C. A. Sylvester third, height 5 ft.

Putting 16-pound shot, closed—Won by F. L. Wood, distance 29 ft. 11 in.; C. A. Sylvester second, distance 29 ft. 7 in.; D. T. Duane third, distance 28 ft. 5 in.

600-YARD DASH.

First heat—Won by W. F. Porter, H. A. A.; F. W. Osborne, H. A. A., Time 1m 30.35s.

Second heat—Won by E. Neilson, H. A. A.; A. A. Netzel, C. G. A., second. Time 1m 30.35s.

Final heat—Won by E. Neilson, H. A. A.; W. F. Porter, H. A. A., second. F. W. Osborne, third. Time 1m 29.35s.

300-yard dash, closed—Won by H. B. Owens, J. B. Davis second. Time 40s.

200-yard dash, closed—Won by J. H. Barnard, C. H. B. second, C. Leatherbee third. Time 1m 30s.

Class team race—Won by 98, 99 second, 96 third. Time 1m 43.15s. 98 team, H. B. Owens, W. P. Chase, C. A. Sylvester, R. M. Larned; 99 team, D. A. Johnson, H. P. Greene, F. A. Frost, W. Underwood; 97 team, J. E. Davis, W. G. Harding, O. D. Fisher, F. G. Barnum.

The officials were: Referee, J. E. Dewey, Jr.; judges at finish, C. B. Cutting, J. J. Knox, W. S. Fitz; timers, A. W. Porter, H. Keyes; starter, C. V. Moore; field judges, H. Holmes, A. W. Hollis; clerk of course, D. Dewey; assistant clerk, C. H. Johnson, announcer, C. F. Johnson, Jr.; marshals, R. W. P. Brown; scorer, M. E. Webb, Jr.

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THE HOSPITAL APPROPRIATION.

WHY IT IS OBJECTED TO BY THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The Overseers of the Poor claimed that the editorial in last week's GRAPHIC was "all wrong" and we have therefore interviewed several of them to find out their side of the case. They are unanimous in supporting Mr. Whitney, the City Almoner, and say that he only represents their side of the case.

They all disclaim having any but the kindest feelings toward the Hospital trustees and its management, and say that they are acting solely in the interests of the city.

But they claim that the cost of caring for the poor patients is very far short of the \$10,000 voted to the Hospital, judging from what the Hospital charges Watertown and Needham for the care of patients from those towns. They also ask why, if the Hospital can afford to take Watertown patients for \$7.50 per week, it should charge \$10 for Newton patients?

In regard to this the trustees say that they have taken a few patients at that price, when the Hospital was not full, as it was the price charged by the Boston Hospital, and as a mere matter of humanity, in order to save the patients the long ride to Boston. With the Hospital partly full of patients, they could afford to take a few at less than cost.

The Overseers, in regard to Hon. J. R. Leeson's letter, in which he stated that the cost of caring for the contagious wards was over five thousand dollars, say that that has nothing to do with their department. The trustees agreed to conduct these wards if the city would put up the buildings, and the Hospital is to look to the Board of Health and not to them, if they wish to recover this sum. They have nothing to do with the Board of Health and should not be asked to pay for any expense to which it may put the city.

This really seems to be the main source of the trouble, as nearly as can be learned, and possibly it might be a good idea another year, to charge the contagious ward expenses to the Board of Health, instead of to the Poor Department.

The claim is also made that the \$14,150, appropriated for the Poor Department, will not pay their expenses, if they do not receive the \$3000 or so collected from the state and other towns for the care of poor who have no residence in Newton.

The appropriation for the Poor Department, this year, was increased two thousand dollars over last year, half of which was for necessary repairs to the almshouse, but possibly a large increase of needy applicants looked for, owing to the continued hard times, as the Poor Department did not receive that money from the state last year.

There were many complaints, also, although none of the kind which was quoted, of the doctors being able to give any one a card of admission to the Hospital, while the Overseers have to go through all the red tape to get the same thing; of trouble over getting an order from the Hospital for the use of the ambulance, to convey sick patients, and of other cases where they had not been treated with the courtesy which they do receive there, although they had never met with any such treatment from the trustees themselves.

The Overseers professed to be anxious to do a business thing, and to have their office in a business way; to look out for the interests of the city and see that no extravagant prices were paid, and to act as careful and economical as in their private business. Their office is certainly not a pleasant one, there is no money in it save the salary of \$50 a year, and it is only a sense of duty as citizens that can induce any one to take the office.

The trouble has always been how to legally appropriate money for the Hospital, and doing it through the Poor Department was only for the purpose of getting around the law, and making the appropriation legal. It could have been done equally well through the Board of Health, or by dividing it between the two, but this was the simplest and the easiest way, and there was no thought at first of getting an exact and duly labeled equivalent for every dollar given by the city.

Many cities sustain a regular city hospital, but as in that case the city has to pay all the bills, it is a very expensive institution, and also it is difficult to induce patients who can partially pay for their care to go to such an institution, just as it would be to get them to go to an almshouse.

Probably the time may come when the legacies to the Hospital, and the contributions from Hospital Sunday, will enable it to get along without any appropriation from the city, but until then we do not think any taxpayers will object to keeping up the appropriation of the last few years.

The little daughter of Mr. Fred Webber, Holland, Mass., had a very bad cold and cough which he had not been able to cure with anything. I gave him a 25 cent bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, says W. P. Holden, merchant and postmaster at West Bridgewater, and the next time I saw him he said it worked like a charm. This remedy is intended especially for acute throat and lung diseases such as colds, croup and whooping cough, and it is famous for its cures. There is no danger in giving it to children for it contains nothing injurious. For sale at Arthur Hudson, Newton; B. Billings, Newtonville; J. H. Green, Newton Highlands.

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THE CHARTER HEARING.

The committee on cities gave a hearing
this morning on the revised charter, which
was a very interesting one. A large number
of citizens were present. The revised
charter was advocated by the Mayor, the
City Solicitor, the legislative committee of
the city council, and ex-Mayor Bothfield,
chairman of the revision committee, who
gave strong reasons for the necessity of a
change.

These speakers did not object to certain
changes being made, and probably the
"purchasing-agent" clause will be stricken
out, and the provision that the appropriation
bill can be carried by the Mayor and
only eight aldermen. The clause giving
the Mayor a veto on the school board may
also be left out, as it is hardly necessary or
advisable. With these changes the charter
will probably go through.

The chief objectors to the charter are
Mr. John B. Goodrich, Chairman Hollis of
the school board, and Mr. Theodore W.
Gore. Mr. Goodrich objects to the taking
away from the board of aldermen of the
power to make contracts, and giving it to
the Mayor alone, although this is a feature
of most of the up-to-date charters of recent
years. The Mayor can be held directly re-
sponsible for any contract he makes, one for
street lighting, for instance, while if this is
left to a committee, there is no direct responsibility. One would think, also, that it would
be easier for any corporation to make terms
with one man, than with half a dozen, and
also more satisfactory.

Chairman Hollis of the school board
wants to have the school board's powers
extended so that all powers relating to the
construction or repairs of buildings, selection
of plans, buying of land for sites, etc.,
shall be given to the board exclusively. They
can expend whatever they desire, and the
question of raising money to pay the bills is
the only one left for the Mayor and
aldermen. We have had an illustration
of how that would work in the case of the
new High School building, which will
take so much money as to exhaust the
borrowing capacity of the city. Perhaps
when we get all the city debts paid, Newton
would be rich enough to try such an
experiment as that, but until then it will
hardly be desirable to add to the already
almost unlimited power of the school
board to add to the taxes.

Mr. Gore was a member of the revision
committee, but he desires to have all the
aldermen elected at large, from the fear
that the wards would send unit men.
This has not so far proved to be the case
with regard to members of the common
council, who have generally been
quite on a par with the aldermen, who are
now elected by the whole city.

THAT INSURANCE ORDER.

It was predicted that the Common Council
would be an important factor in legisla-
tion, this year, and evidently the prediction
is to be fulfilled. The ridiculous
insurance order, which slipped through
the aldermen so easily, without even an
objection from that guardian of the treasury,
Alderman White, was held up in the
council, and referred back for due consideration.

The position taken by the GRAPHIC, last
week, was endorsed by the speakers, and
the fact was further brought out that the
order had never been presented or approved
by the public property committee, although
the question of insurance had been discussed.
The council members of the committee
were surprised to learn that such an
order had been presented, and also at a
loss to understand it. Of course with so
many new men at the head of committees,
there will be some irregular proceedings at
first, until they learn the rules, but the
council very properly objects to the presentation
of orders which have not been approved
in committee. There was too much of that
done last year, and it is high time that
a reform was brought about.

There is a good deal of gossip about the
insurance order, and all sorts of stories
are current, as to the way the mayor and
the aldermen were so suddenly alarmed by
the situation. Some very persuasive insurance
agent must have got hold of them, and
wrought them up to such a pitch of
alarm, that they could only find relief in
this hasty action. It is also said that the
reason only fire-proof buildings were
selected, is that they were more valuable
than the wooden buildings, and therefore
the fees for insuring them would be larger,
and a good deal of fun has been poked at
the aldermen, and all sorts of questions
asked them, on the trains and elsewhere,
some of which were rather embarrassing,
especially those concerning the agent who
was to reap such a large harvest from the
order.

The Common Council was right in asking
for due consideration of such an important
matter. The new brick buildings are
heated by steam, with the boilers placed in

fire-proof rooms, so that the danger of fire
is almost as small as it is in the engine
houses, while the wooden buildings are
heated by furnaces, and if one of them
should catch fire it would be almost im-
possible to save them. One of the oldest
insurance agents in the city, on being in-
terviewed, said that the selection of build-
ings to be insured was more than ridicu-
lous, and that ordinary prudence alone
would have suggested that the old wooden
buildings would be the first ones to be
taken care of, as a fire would be almost
certain to ruin them, while the brick
buildings would be very little damaged,
with the efficiency of our fire department,
that is if their construction was what it
should have been from the cost.

A POSSIBLE COMPROMISE.

It has been suggested that one way to
settle the trouble between the Hospital
and the Overseers of the Poor, would be to
appropriate \$6000 of the \$10,000 under the
charge of the Board of Health, for the ex-
pense of the contagious wards, and let the
balance be appropriated under the heading
of the Poor Department, and then there
would seem to be no reason for with-
holding the money collected from the state.

We have interviewed several of the Over-
seers, and all agree that Mr. Whitney re-
presents them in his position on the matter.
This new arrangement would make no
practical difference as to the amount ap-
propriated by the city, and would remove
the impression that the Poor Department
have, that the city is paying more to the
Hospital for the care of the poor than it
ought to pay. The city of course expects
to pay for the expense of conducting the
contagious wards, and it would make no
difference to the trustees, whether the
money came through the Poor department
or through the Board of Health, and per-
haps such a course would dispose of all
this annual friction over the appropriation.

It seems to be all a question of bookkeep-
ing, as far as we can see, and if the poor
department does not get the full value for
its money, another department gets enough
to more than make up the deficiency.

The whole idea of the appropriation was
to help the hospital, as it is worth more
than the amount named to the city, and
the money was given to the Poor depart-
ment to expend, merely as a means of mak-
ing the appropriation legally, and not to
have that department see that an exact re-
turn should be made to that department
for every cent of the money.

It could have just as well been included
under the estimates of the Board of Health
if such a course had been thought of, and
perhaps another year that would be the
better way, and then let the Poor depart-
ment pay current rates for all patients
taken care of, both those who have a resi-
dence in Newton and those who have not.
This might save all trouble in the future,
and the money could be voted on a contract
for the care of the contagious wards.

In spite of Secretary Morton's expose
of the ridiculous nature of the free seed
distribution by Congressmen, the Senate
has voted \$150,000 for this purpose. This
will buy enough seeds to load 77 of the
largest U. S. Mail cars, and as they have
to be carried free, will be one cause of the
failure of the department to pay ex-
penses. There has been a protest against
allowing books to be sent at newspaper
rates, but they do some good, while the
free seed business is only to enable Con-
gressmen to please some of their rural con-
stituents, and so get their votes when
next up for office.

It is an economical method, for the con-
gressman, and is greatly favored by such
men as Rising Sun Morse, as a cheap
means of making themselves popular.

In 1839, \$1,000 was appropriated for the
purchase of "rare, valuable and improved"
seeds, not common to the country, to be
distributed for experimental purposes
among intelligent gardeners and farmers,
with the instructions to report their in-
dividual success in the cultivation there-
of. But the law as now amended ignores
the original purpose of its inception and
enactment. Only common varieties are
distributed, and most of them are never
used by the recipients. The nation is
running behind every year, because its ex-
penses exceeds its revenues, and yet such
foolish appropriations as these are made.

The free seeds come directly into com-
petition with the seedmen of the country,
and therefore the retail trade of the
country is beginning to make an active
protest against such waste of the public
funds. It is to be hoped that they will
meet with success.

The bicycle show has been a great at-
traction for Newton people, this week, and
a large number have attended, both of
those who ride and those who intend to
begin this season. The show is far ahead
of anything of the kind previously held in
Boston, and from all reports has been very
successful. Newton agents have been
waiting for the show to decide upon what
wheels they will offer this year, and be-
sides the old reliables, several new lines
will probably be represented here.

The Sanderson bill to vitiate the Aus-
tralian ballot has met with an overwhelming
defeat, and our ballot law is probably now
safe for another year, when the partisan
politicians will of course renew their at-
tack. They could not be expected to ap-
prove of any law by which a voter could
use his intelligence in voting.

It is said that the city buildings, the old
wooden ones as well as those recently built,
could be insured for \$400,000, at the rate of
\$100 a year.

AT BEACON HILL.

THE LEGISLATIVE WHEELS BUZZING—
COST OF ABOLISHING GRADE CROSSINGS,
NEWTON MEN PROMINENT—THE GOVERN-
OR'S RECEPTION.

(Special Legislative Correspondence.)

Boston, Feb. 24, 1897.

The legislative wheels are buzzing lively
these days. I do not mean the "wheels"
in the heads of the legislators, but the ma-
chinery of legislation, which must be run
with a full head of steam from now on, if
we are to get out of the state house before
the Fourth of July. While the actual
number of matters may be no larger than
in recent years, there is a great difference
in the average importance of them, and
this means long hearings, and weary ex-
tensive sessions, with many days of hard
work.

Then we have not seen anything yet
of two or three things which may put an
entirely new face on the proceedings. The
supreme court may send in word that the
house would be justified in proceedings
looking to the impeachment of County
Commissioner Morrill of Norfolk, and pro-
duce a state of things that will delay
proceedings indefinitely. I say may, for it
really looks as though the commissioner
be permitted to serve out his term in
peace. Then that procrastinating con-
sideration of the charities and correction of
the state is going to report sometime. I pre-
sume, though I am disposed to think that
their report will now be so late, that Col.
Haskell and his associates on the Board of
Lunacy and Charity will be requested to
continue to carry on the work now in their
hands, while the careful consideration of
any recommendations the commission may
make will be referred to the next general
court.

Mr. Pickard is having a chance to find
that the work of a legislator is no holiday
parade, especially if he is a member of the
committee on metropolitan affairs. Over
one hundred and forty matters have been
referred to the committee, and while the
members are showing the most commendable
industry, holding hearings at every op-
portunity, yet a very large proportion
of the matters are still unheard or un-
assigned, although hearings are set as far
ahead as March 22. This by the way, is
nearly two weeks beyond the time when
under the rules all reports must be in, but
there are times when rules must be made to
yield to necessity, and this is one of them.

William H. Coolidge made a remark be-
fore the committee on railroads, of which
Senator Harwood is a member, the other
day, which was very significant. It was at
a hearing on the petition of the city of
Haverhill that there might be a referendum
on the subject of applying to the supreme
court for the appointment of a commission
to separate the fish and game commission
from the state, and to divide the state into
two parts. Mr. Coolidge pointed out that
the cost of grade crossing separation in the
past four years had reached into the mil-
lions, and that before the work was com-
pleted in the state it would have cost into
the billions. The committee, with no dis-
position to dissent on the part of anyone
except Chairman Soule and Mr. Innes of
Boston, reported leave to withdraw on the
Haverhill petition, probably on the ground
stated by Col. Benton of the New Haven
road, that there were already three methods
of initiating grade crossing separations,
and that was enough.

The same committee had another ques-
tion of some interest before it recently, and
that was a general law to compel railroads
to provide 36-inch tracks to patrons at the
same price as is now charged for 100-inch
tickets. The gentleman who argued for
the bill, who seems to be something of a
railroad philanthropist, quoted the cases of
Auburndale and stations ten miles out on
other roads in comparison with Waltham,
to show that it would be possible to give
cheaper fares and not impoverish a corpo-
ration. The committee did not seem im-
pressed with the argument. Mr. Coolidge
and his associates, who are counsel
for the various roads, did not oppose the
petition very strongly; they simply pointed
out that the "if" something might be done
which was aggrieved could confide their
woes to the railroad commissioners, who
had full power to act without troubling
the legislature. The committee, however,
declined to take the "if" out of the peti-
tion, and the bill was dropped.

Charles S. Miller has sold a house and
11,000 square feet of land on Norfolk road,
Chesnut Hill, for Annie O. Foster to
Emory H. Rogers.

MARRIED.

KEEFE-KEEFE—At Newton, Feb. 14, by Rev.
Michael Dolan, Cornelius Walter Keefe and
Nellie Jane Keefe.

ROSEN-SWANSON—At Boston, Feb. 18, by
Rev. A. W. Sundblad, Gustaf Rosen and Anna
Swanson.

RICHALA-RICHALA—At Boston, Feb. 21,
Boleslaw Richala and Barbara Richala.

DROHAN-EGLETON—At Waverston, Feb. 21,
by Rev. J. D. Cullen, Thomas Henry Drohan
and Mary Elizabeth Egleton.

DONELON-SHERIDAN—At West Newton, Feb.
24, by Rev. L. J. O'Toole, Patrick Donelon
and Mary Sheridan.

KENNEDY-CASEY—At West Newton, Feb. 24,
by Rev. L. J. O'Toole, Thomas Henry Kennedy
and Agnes Bridget Casey.

BURKE-FLAHEITY—At West Newton, Feb.
24, by Rev. L. J. O'Toole, William Joseph
Burke and Nora Flaherty.

ROTTER-SVENSON—At Newton Centre, Feb.
24, by Rev. Luther Freeman, Keuben Lee Rotter
and Malvina Jaquetta Svenson.

DIED.

HARRINGTON—At Newton, Feb. 21, Charles C.
Harrington, 70 yrs. 1 mo.

LINNEHAN—In Newton Centre, Feb. 25, Annie
M. wife of Dennis J. Linnehan, 57 yrs.

DENAN—At Newton Hospital, Feb. 18, Thomas
Denan, 63 yrs. 2 mo. 26 ds.

O'SHEA—At Newton, Feb. 17, Mary, widow of
Thomas O'Shea, 63 yrs.

ALDRICH—At Newtonville, Feb. 19, Lionel H.,
son of Geo. L. and E. M. Aldrich, 3 yrs. 6 mo.
22 ds.

REMIC—At West Newton, Feb. 19, Martha,
daughter of Frank W. and Martha H. Remick,
63 yrs. 2 mo. 26 ds.

FOYER—At Waban, Feb. 20, Charles A. Foyer,
73 yrs. 11 mo.

ROBERTSON—At West Newton, Margaret A. Foyer,
85 yrs. 3 mo. 8 ds.

MONROE—At Newton Centre, Feb. 23, Donald
Monroe, 61 yrs. 6 mo. 29 ds.

Before I leave this subject, I desire to
refer to the fact that House Chairman
Parsons of Greenfield, in opening the debate
in favor of the referendum, remarked signifi-
cantly that the people had last year dealt with
the proposed constitutional amendment pro-
viding for biennial elections in "a deliberate
and final fashion." Mr. Parsons was
for biennials, by the way, but he felt the
action of the people had removed the ques-
tion from the realm of annual agitation.
Out of regard for the feelings of my valued
friend, Col. Haskell, I forbear to quote
that quote Mr. Parsons' language, though
I admit that I rather shared the satisfac-
tion of my other friend, Mr. Bridgman of
Auburndale, when the remark was
dropped.

I will leave it to the sober sense of his
constituents, if Senator Harwood looks
like a tramp. It is noticeable, neverthe-
less, that he does not deny the soft im-
pressionment when he is referred to as the

chairman of the tramp committee. This is
the committee on counties which has a
rather small and not particularly attractive
room on the fourth floor assigned to it, but
which finds itself forced day after day, to
go here, there and everywhere to find a
place to give hearings or hold executive
sessions. The committee is meeting today
on the question of the proposed Middlesex
county hospital at Cambridge, and to-mor-
row will hear the commissioners on the
\$25,000 addition to the truant school at
North Chelmsford, which was postponed.

Mr. Hayward's committee has one or
two bank charter matters to hear, and also
a petition for the further limitation of in-
vestments by savings banks. When these
are heard there is nothing else for the com-
mittee on banks and banking to hear ex-
cept the recommendations of the com-
missioners on co-operative banks, and the
matter of coincident reports of the banks
to the comptroller of the currency and the
savings bank commissioners as recom-
mended by the former official. When these mat-
ters are concluded, Mr. Hayward will have
an easy time, unless, as is more than likely,
the speaker happens to put him on some
special committee.

Monday was a busy day for Executive
Clerk Hamlin. He is the best named official
on Beacon Hill, for he is executive in his
functions and characteristic in his
finger tips. Everything goes like clock-
work when there is a reception, or an ex-
cursion of the governor and council to any
of the many institutions where duty calls
them. Mr. Hamlin has for years attended
the council on such occasions, and every
detail is thought of and all possible incon-
veniences avoided by his thoughtfulness.

The governor's Washington birthday re-
ception has become quite a feature of the
year, but there have been so many of them
now, that the Captain has no trouble in
getting ready for them and putting them
through.

Although he does not appear to be much
of a nabob, Mr. Adams of the Treasurer's
department lives in an atmosphere of
money, and large checks drawn or received
by him are a matter of no more moment
than the handling of dollar bills by most of
us. For some weeks now, the Common-
wealth has been issuing some big loans,
and on some days millions of money have
come in. The largest of which I happened
to hear was a day when twenty-three
checks, each for \$100,000 came in, and the
total amount received during the day was
\$4,000,000. The signing of the bonds which
are issued, is no small task. It not only
keeps the treasurer busy, but the governor,
also. Gov. Wolcott often has to return
from his home after his lunch, to sign
bonds, but his unflinching courtesy never
fails him, and he never objects.

Prison Commissioner Ward spent a busy
forenoon on Beacon Hill a few days ago.
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Boleslaw Richala and Barbara Richala.

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by Rev. J. D. Cullen, Thomas Henry Drohan
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22 ds.

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Before I leave this subject, I desire to
refer to the fact that House Chairman
Parsons of Greenfield, in opening the debate
in favor of the referendum, remarked signifi-
cantly that the people had last year dealt with
the proposed constitutional amendment pro-
viding for biennial elections in "a deliberate
and final fashion." Mr. Parsons was
for biennials, by the way, but he felt the
action of the people had removed the ques-
tion from the realm of annual agitation.
Out of regard for the feelings of my valued
friend, Col. Haskell, I forbear to quote
that quote Mr. Parsons' language, though
I admit that I rather shared the satisfac-
tion of my other friend, Mr. Bridgman of
Auburndale, when the remark was
dropped.

I will leave it to the sober sense of his
constituents, if Senator Harwood looks
like a tramp. It is noticeable, neverthe-
less, that he does not deny the soft im-
pressionment when he is referred to as the

chairman of the tramp committee. This is
the committee on counties which has a
rather small and not particularly attractive
room on the fourth floor assigned to it, but
which finds itself forced day after day, to
go here, there and everywhere to find a
place to give hearings or hold executive
sessions. The committee is meeting today
on the question of the proposed Middlesex
county hospital at Cambridge, and to-mor-
row will hear the commissioners on the
\$25,000 addition to the truant school at
North Chelmsford, which was postponed.

Mr. Hayward's committee has one or
two bank charter matters to hear, and also
a petition for the further limitation of in-
vestments by savings banks. When these
are heard there is nothing else for the com-
mittee on banks and banking to hear ex-
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an easy time, unless, as is more than likely,
the speaker happens to put him on some
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Clerk Hamlin. He is the best named official
on Beacon Hill, for he is executive in his
functions and characteristic in his
finger tips. Everything goes like clock-
work when there is a reception, or an ex-
cursion of the governor and council to any
of the many institutions where duty calls
them. Mr. Hamlin has for years attended
the council on such occasions, and every
detail is thought of and all possible incon-
veniences avoided by his thoughtfulness.

The governor's Washington birthday re-
ception has become quite a feature of the
year, but there have been so many of them
now, that the Captain has no trouble in
getting ready for them and putting them
through.

Although he does not appear to be much
of a nabob, Mr. Adams of the Treasurer's
department lives in an atmosphere of
money, and large checks drawn or received
by him are a matter of no more moment
than the handling of dollar bills by most of
us. For some weeks now, the Common-
wealth has been issuing some big loans,
and on some days millions of money have
come in. The largest of which I happened
to hear was a day when twenty-three
checks, each for \$100,000 came in, and the
total amount received during the day was
\$4,000,000. The signing of the bonds which
are issued, is no small task. It not only
keeps the treasurer busy, but the governor,
also. Gov. Wolcott often has to return
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NEWTONVILLE.

—Ivers & Pond pianos, Farley, Newton.
—Miss Blanche Pierce is in New York City for a short stay.
—Mr. L. B. Schofield has purchased the Allen house on Bowers street.
—F. H. Huntington is laid up with rheumatism at his home on Washington street.
—The Emano Whist Club meets at Mr. H. E. Sisson's house, Edinboro street, tonight.

—Mr. Charles Jordan on Walnut street, who has been ill for several weeks, is out again.

—As Monday was Washington's birthday the usual meeting of Mr. Ida Council, R. A., was not held.

—Miss Anna Ellis of Boston is the guest of the Rev. and Mrs. Franklin Hamilton, Newtonville avenue.

—Conductors on the Newton & Boston line announce the arrival and departure of cars at Payne's pharmacy.

—There will be a charity subscription for the party at the Newton clubhouse, Thursday, March 4, from 2.15 to 5 p. m.

—Superintendent Aldrich and wife have the sympathy of all in the sad loss they have met with in the death of their little son.

—Postmaster Turner will return from California about March 18. With Mrs. Turner he is having a very pleasant time in the far western country.

—There are letters at the post office for Mrs. Mary J. Brewster, Mrs. G. F. Bell, Mrs. T. Canan, Mrs. Thomas Farrell, T. Fitzgerald, Mrs. George C. Rice.

—Agassiz Phillips of Boston, with Carl A. Raymond of Boston and George Buckley of Fitchburg, were among the guests at the hasty gurdy party, Wednesday evening.

—It is rumored that Mr. G. H. Loomis, the real estate broker, has sold the house on Omar terrace, to Mr. Geo. N. Jackson of Auburndale. Mr. Jackson buys for residence and will occupy about the first of April.

—Councillman Van Tassel, who purchased the Simpson estate on Newtonville avenue, some time since, is making efforts to decide a suitable residence, one of the finest in that neighborhood. Good taste seems to characterize the owner, architect and builder.

—A punch bowl, which has been on exhibition during the week at the Partridge studio, has attracted a great deal of attention. It was painted by Mrs. M. H. Wyman for Mrs. W. F. Kimball, and is pronounced by all who have seen it a most beautiful and artistic piece of work.

—Mr. A. J. Scott, recently of Brighton, has leased through Mr. Loomis the Curtis Abbott house on Bowers street, and will occupy at once. Mr. Scott is what is called a "wheelwright," being an expert workman in that line. We learn he has recently sold his plant in Brighton and hopes to start the business in Newtonville, as soon as he can locate.

—Mr. Loomis has recently rented the house lately occupied by Mr. W. F. Slocum, now owned by Mr. L. B. Schofield, to Mrs. F. C. Garmon, formerly of Austin street. Mrs. Garmon is a widow, and Mr. Loomis has also leased the house owned by Dr. Hunt on Madison avenue, to Mr. W. H. Marston, the hair dresser, recently residing on Washington street.

—Those who have been interested and have subscribed for an examination of the Methodist church tower are loth to give up the enterprise, and are inquiring why it has been abandoned, if such is the case. The volunteer committee, we understand, got a little discouraged in efforts to raise the last third of the sum needed, but again feel reinforced and will be glad to welcome further contributions. We understand Mr. Loomis will second the efforts of the committee and receive subscriptions for the large or small sums at his real estate office, opposite the depot. Give him a call.

—A lecture will be given at the Claffin grammar school hall, on March 4th, at 8 p. m., by Mr. E. Charlton Black, on "The Makers of the American Nation," by Mr. Stevenson, MacLaren, etc. The proceeds will be devoted to furnishing the library for the new high school, and it is hoped that the citizens of Newton will generously support the project. Admission 50 cents. Tickets to be had of the pupils or at the door. Mr. Black was an associate of these men in Edinburgh University and hence speaks from personal acquaintance. The lecturer will read from the works of these illustrious men.

—The second pupils' soiree at Mr. Hale's studio was a very successful one, and a good illustration of what is going on there. Miss Dorcy's playing is on the whole very clear and musically. She has already a good tone and considerable breath, and still more, shows in her performance the evidences of cultivated musical feeling. Miss Pauline Fontaine, a very promising pupil of Mr. Frank Morse, sang songs by Schumann, and played a handsomer. Miss Fontaine sings with excellent taste and discrimination, and a firmness of tone that is a pleasure to listen to.

—The History Club met this week with Miss Kathleen Jones. The first paper, by Miss Jones, was on "Lettice's Letters." Mr. Taylor read several selections from the poems. This paper was followed by one on the "Omnibus Bill of 1850," by Miss Caroline E. Sillaway. The subject was treated in a clear and comprehensive manner. The last paper of the evening was given by Mrs. Herbert M. Chase. Her subject was "New Leaders in Congress," and she gave a detailed account of the lives of William H. Seward of New York, Salmon P. Chase of Ohio and Charles Sumner of Massachusetts. The next meeting will be held on March 9th, and papers will be read on "Foreign Affairs," "Kansas and Nebraska," "Rise of the Republican Party" and "John A. Fremont."

—The Song Recital that was given a month ago for the benefit of the organ fund of Central Congregational church was repeated last night. On the first occasion the great snow storm prevented many people from attending, but those that were present were so urgent in their demands that it be repeated, that the musicians very kindly consented to again give their services for the benefit of the cause. Mrs. Edward L. Strong, who carried the greatest portion of the program, is plainly an artist of the first rank, though she was evidently suffering much from nervousness during the singing of the first group of songs, but after that all traces of it were removed. Her voice is very rich and pure, and of great range. She shows the effect of long and careful training, and it is evident she has had the best of teachers. We understand she considers that Madame Cappelini of New York City the greatest credit is due for the perfection of her art. The selections were most varied, among them being a very dramatic operatic aria, a beautiful oratorio solo, Italian and German songs, and the more simple ballads, all of which were given with much taste. In Loti's "Par di Cesti" was most clearly shown the delicacy and sweetness of her tones, while in "O mio Fernando," her dramatic power and full rich voice was most marked. She is certainly a most charming singer, and evidently the audience enjoyed greatly what she sang, as they were very enthusiastic and demanded several encores. Mr. Strong we consider one of the most promising pianists that the country has produced, and we see no reason why he should not attain the highest rank, and clearly deserve the supposed necessity of going abroad to complete one's musical education. He played with much taste and caught the spirit of his selections admirably, and gave much pleasure with his fine performance. Madame Strong gave the accompaniment in her usual finished style, and contributed not a little to the successes of the evening.

At the close of the recital a reception, was tendered to the musicians by a few of the ladies of the church, and a most agreeable hour was spent in the church parlor.

—At the Methodist Episcopal church the pastor, Rev. Franklin Hamilton, will continue on Sunday evening at 7.30, the popular talks on current events, which are proving so interesting to so many. There will be a special musical program with an evening solo. The topic will be of special interest at this time. In the morning at 10.45 Mr. Hamilton will preach on "As Christ Loved." All are invited. All seats free.

—The Newton Christian Endeavor Union held its annual meeting in the M. E. church, on Wednesday evening last. Reports of the several committees were read, and officers elected for the ensuing year. Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Nickerson, pastor of the Universalist church, and an interesting address was given by Rev. Dr. Geo. A. Morris, professor in Boston University, upon the work of young people in the church, and the difference in the present attitude of the church toward them as compared with that of the past. After the address the company adjourned to the vestry, where a collation was served and an hour was spent in social intercourse.

—The hasty gurdy party given in Dennison hall, Wednesday evening, under the direction of Mrs. J. L. Atwood, was a grand success. The music was furnished by Marie Grosse and husband and her assistants. The matrons were Mrs. J. W. Fenno, Mrs. W. F. Kimball and Mrs. H. B. Parker. The ushers were the Messrs. Fenno, Miss Fisher and Miss Atwood in maslin dresses and large summer hats. The idea of a summer party was carried out as far as possible. Mr. Atwood had charge of the floor. The party was so much of a success that it will probably be repeated in a month or so. The proceeds go to the Ladies' Sewing Circle. During the evening, one of the young ladies lost her gold watch, but fortunately it was found under one of the seats.

WEST NEWTON.

—Miller pianos, Farley, Newton.
—Mrs. H. M. Quimby is confined to her room by illness.

—Mr. Milo Lucas is very ill at his home on Margin street.

—John Eliot Lodge, A. O. U. W., held its regular meeting Wednesday evening.

—The regular meeting of the Women's Guild will be held next Wednesday afternoon.

—The Young Women's Study Club has decided to postpone their meetings until next season.

—The regular meeting of the Local Branch of the Legion of Honor, was held Tuesday evening.

—The regular meeting of the Veteran Firemen's Association will be held next Wednesday evening.

—Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Hobart, who were the guests of friends here, have returned to their home in Taunton.

—Messrs. W. A. and F. K. Clark and M. E. Beardsley from John Eliot Lodge attended the Grand Lodge in Boston this week.

—Miss Genevieve Sprague of Lenox street has been entertaining her friend, Miss Martha C. Condit of Boston, N. J., during the present week.

—A Mock Trial will be held in the chapel of the Congregational church, Wednesday evening, March 10, under the auspices of Mr. H. B. Day's class.

—Miss Francis, principal of the Boston Cooking School, will begin a course of lectures at the Congregational church, next Monday. For terms see adv. on this page.

—The Women's Alliance met yesterday afternoon in the parlors of the Unitarian church. A history of the belief in the Devil was given by Rev. Mr. Bush of Dedham. The business meeting was followed by a social hour and tea.

—Miss Fannie Merritt Farmer, principal of the Boston Cooking School, will give a course of ten demonstration lectures, under the auspices of the Women's Guild, at the Congregational church, commencing Monday afternoon, March 1st.

—A Colonial supper was a leading feature at the Congregational church social last evening. The waitresses were dressed in the costly costumes of long ago which to many proved a most becoming style. A pleasing entertainment was presented during the evening.

—The Boston Druggists Association met Tuesday evening at Young's and listened to a very interesting lecture by Capt. S. E. Howard, entitled "On the Trail." Capt. Howard gave a vivid description of the methods of handling cattle on the great western ranges, and of driving herds from Texas to Montana.

—Medical Examiner Mead of Watertown has decided that the death of James P. Armitage was purely accidental and not suicide, as reported. He stepped on the track at the Boston & Albany railway excavation, and was run over by an engine backing up from under the Putnam street bridge, which he did not see. The accident occurred Feb. 6.

—The regular social was held in the Unitarian church parlors last Friday evening. The platform entertainment consisted of the Graduation exercises of the Central school. Mrs. Arthur Carroll acted as teacher. The school committee and the exercises of ye olden time made an interesting and laughable performance. This proved to be one of the most pleasing of the winter soirees.

—The regular meeting of the West Newton Women's Educational Club will be held this afternoon in the Unitarian church parlors. The subject for discussion is Woman Suffrage. Prof. Hyatt's opinion from a Biological point of view will be given by Miss Adams, a pupil of his. Several well known speakers will participate in the discussion. A club tea will follow the business meeting.

—One of the brilliant events of the season was the reception given Monday evening by Mrs. John W. Carter at her home, corner of Otis street and Highland avenue. Mrs. Carter was assisted by her daughter, Miss Lucy. The parlors were filled with well known society people from Boston, Brookline and the Newtons. The house was tastefully decorated with cut flowers and potted plants. Refreshments were served in the handsome dining room.

—An inquest to ascertain the cause of the death of James Armitage, who was killed on the subway tracks three weeks ago, was held in the police court before Judge Kennedy, last Saturday morning. Frank L. Warren, a hoisting engineer, employed near the place of the accident, was the first witness. He testified to seeing Armitage come down the embankment and walk up the track for some distance in front of the engine. He called to him but was unable to make his voice heard. He witnessed the accident and later viewed the remains. James Munn, a gravel train conductor, testified as to riding on the engine when the accident took place. He was standing on the running board or snow catcher, and as the engine backed down upon Armitage he did not know the accident had taken place until the body appeared on the tracks. He said it was impossible to see an obstacle on the tracks for 100 feet ahead. This he said was caused by the grade which increased the height of the tender. He had ridden on the engine when the accident had taken place. In testimony to the stand for further examination the inquest was closed. Seated

at the reporter's table during the inquest was State Inspector Grafton Upham.

—The regular meeting of Crescent Commandry U. O. G. C. was held Wednesday evening. One application was read.

—Mr. W. H. French of this place was elected from the Boston Plumber's Association, to the State convention of Master Plumbers at Salem, Wednesday.

—David S. Bennett, who is in jail for the theft of iron from the railroad, was brought back yesterday and tried on a charge of breaking into the houses of A. A. Miner and stealing copper boilers, etc. He was held in \$1500 for trial.

—Invitations have been issued for a masquerade in Odd Fellows hall, this evening. The committee in charge consists of Messrs. Harvey C. Wood, F. M. Dutch, and J. E. Butler. The committee also includes Mrs. T. K. Fawkes, Miss N. E. Barlow and Miss S. M. Bush.

—John Eliot Lodge, A. O. U. W., celebrated its anniversary in Odd Fellows hall, Wednesday evening. Nearly 200 members of the lodge and their guests were present, including a large number of members of the order from Waltham and Boston. An exhibition drill by the degree staff of the lodge, a lecture on "The Origin of Secret Societies" by Hon. J. E. Butler of Kentucky, and vocal numbers by Miss Mamie Fisher of Cleveland, O., were included in the program.

—Boynton Lodge U. O. I. O. L. held their regular meeting in Knights of Honor hall, Tuesday afternoon. This was the last of the series of moving to their new home in Dennison Hall, Newtonville. A pleasing incident in the afternoon program was the presentation in behalf of the sisters of the lodge, of a handsome French china clock to Sister Elizabeth G. Wilson, their beloved past recording secretary, who is sojourning here for her new home in New York. Her friends, and the lodge has lost a most efficient worker. The business meeting was followed by a social hour. A dainty lunch was served by the ladies of the committee.

—A runaway horse caused excitement in this place last Wednesday morning, and destroyed much property before he was stopped. The animal was attached to a wagon owned by the Boston Tea Company of Waltham and was driven by Arthur G. Fields of Pitt street. The horse, which was frightened in Waltham about 10 o'clock and ran through this place, turning into Washington street the horse narrowly escaped colliding with the team of the United States street car, and turned the corner on to the Putnam street bridge without mishap. The gates at the temporary crossing were down and were both demolished by the runaway. One of the horses in the street car struck an upward-bound accommodation and tore the steps of two cars. On Putnam street the wagon came into collision with a carriage owned by Geo. R. Eager and wrecked it. The occupants were unhurt. The wagon was overturned and its contents scattered on the ground. The horse was finally captured by George Moyer.

AUBURNDALE.

—The friends of Conductor Thayer are pleased to see him on his train again.

—Patriotic citizens were pleased to hear the bells ring on Washington's birthday!

—The Sunday School Institute meets in St. Paul's chapel, Boston, next Thursday, March 4, at 9 o'clock.

—Mr. Bert Bailey is still very ill, but it is expected he will be able to see his friends in the course of a week.

—The special services at the Methodist church will be held next week Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday evenings. Public invited.

—Riverside Lodge, N. E. O. P., will hold its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. L. H. Keys, Cleveland street, Riverside, Monday evening, March 1st.

—The Ladies' Aid Society of the Church of the Messiah met with Mrs. Harris, Crescent street, Tuesday afternoon. The ladies are working for the Newton Hospital.

—A large delegation from Auburndale Lodge, I. O. G. T., attended the annual convention of the Western Massachusetts Lodge at South Framingham, Washington's birthday.

—The Newton Ladies' Home Circle held a 5 o'clock tea in the Unitarian church parlors, West Newton, Wednesday afternoon, after the business of the regular session was through.

—Mr. Murphy's men's temperance meeting at the Methodist church, Sunday evening at 7 o'clock, is expected to be still more interesting than the one last Sunday evening, which was so successful. All invited.

—Mr. George S. Inman of Auburn street took a prominent part in the play "Pinafore" at the West Newton school, on Washington's birthday. His execution of the Hotentot and other dances was a fine piece of work and a revelation to his many friends in the audience.

—A Juvenile Temple will be instituted at Auburn hall, in connection with Auburndale lodge, I. O. G. T., next Thursday at 2 o'clock, on Washington's birthday. The temple will meet every Thursday at 4.30 p. m. Mrs. Belle F. Wiggin will have charge.

—On Friday evening, 19th inst., the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bowlin gave them a very pleasant surprise at their pretty home on Freeman street, in honor of their tenth anniversary. Mr. Bowlin was surprised with a very handsome sideboard. Over 150 guests were present. Mrs. Bowlin's folding doors were thrown open and dancing was the order of the evening. The music was furnished by the students of the school, and the dancing was very successful. Mr. and Mrs. Bowlin were very much pleased with the success of the party.

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—Next Sunday morning Rev. C. M. Southgate of the Congregational church will preach on the life and work of Mary Lyon, founder of the Mt. Holyoke Seminary.

—Members of the Review Club and others interested in the further discussion of the Domestic Service Problem, are invited to meet at the home of Mrs. Geo. W. Blodgett, Central street, Thursday afternoon, March 4th, at 3 o'clock.

—The Operetta in three acts, "Little Bo Peep," will be given in the chapel of the Church of the Messiah, Saturday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, and next Monday evening at 8 o'clock. It is a charming musical story and great pains have been taken in getting it up. It is for the benefit of the Sunday school library and a large attendance is hoped for. Tickets are only 25 cents and can be had at the door.

—Mrs. George E. Keyes of Camden road will hold a whist party at her home, Wednesday afternoon, March 3rd, at 2 o'clock, in aid of the Newton Ladies' Home Circle. Mrs. Keyes will be glad to have all members of the Circle and their friends attend and take part. All who intend to be present are requested to notify Mrs. Keyes by postal. Tickets to the gathering ten cents.

—The Sunday school convention of Norumbega district was very successfully held at the Congregational church on Tuesday. The discussions were of great interest and of value to practical workers. A supper was served at six o'clock, during which a fine orchestra rendered music. The evening session was made noteworthy by an address by Secretary A. W. Edson, of Worcester, of the State Board of Education.

—The home of Mr. Fred A. Hall on Melrose street was the scene of a very happy birthday reception last Monday evening. Very conveniently, the birthdays of Miss Kate Hall, the sister of Mr. F. A. Hall, and Miss Ida Hill, occurred on the same date, so the young ladies united in a reception to their friends. The earlier part of the evening was enjoyed by an interesting game of whist, Miss Reed and Mr. Durbin being the fortunate recipients of the first prizes, and the two second prizes going to Mrs. William Hill and Mr. Desoe. After whist was disposed of, supper was served, presided over by Mr. Ernest Hall, and the evening was given to an entertainment program of vocal and instrumental music. Mr. Noyes, with his guitar, rendered several selections. The guests were from Boston, Watertown and Auburndale, and included Mr. and Mrs. Durbin, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hill, Mr. and Mrs. William Hill, Miss Emma Stowe, Miss Nellie Stowe, Miss Mabel Robinson, Miss Grace Russell, Miss Reed, Miss Ida Hill, Miss Etta Gleason, Miss Kate Hall, Mr. John Robinson, Mr. Arthur Desoe, Mr. Petro, Mr. Noyes, Mr. F. A. Hall and Mr. Ernest Hall.

—The actor, William H. Crane is the owner of the Crane homestead on Rowe street, and is in frequent consultation, during his present stay in Boston, with the city authorities, in regard to the property, which he claims the city has destroyed in laying out the Commonwealth avenue boulevard. The great highway crosses the tracks of the Boston & Albany railroad at one corner of the property at a height of 20 feet or more. At that point it also crosses Rowe street at an acute angle, and has a crossing of 100 feet. It crosses the tracks by means of a bridge, and the high embankment at either side shuts off all view of the estate and from the estate, and shuts out all possibility of travelling through Rowe street. Everybody agrees that the estate is ruined as a place of residence, and Mr. Crane has been forced to abandon the property as a place of residence for his two sisters, and has purchased another property on Maple street. He now seeks damages from the city. The lawyers tell him he has no case of damages except in equity, and the city solicitor says he has no case against the city. He says the city has not taken a foot of his property, although they have taken the land just one foot beyond. Mayor Cobb, a former schoolmate of Mr. Crane, visited the property in company with Mr. Crane Tuesday, and he will investigate the matter.

Lasell Notes.

An interesting event of the past week was the commemoration last Saturday evening, at Eliot cottage, Wellesley, of the seventy-fifth birthday anniversary of Henry Fowle Durant, founder of Wellesley College. Miss Ada Durant, first pupil of the college, read an interesting paper of reminiscences and anecdotes of Mr. Durant. Several were present from Lasell.

Washington's birthday was celebrated by a dinner, on which occasion the dining hall was gaily decorated with flags and bunting and potted plants, and the students played "Martha Washington" by having their hair powdered to the hue of old age. During the meal there was music and singing, the national hymn and patriotic songs. Mr. Bragdon's face was indeed the picture of old age, and he was very much pleased to see the young people, and to hear of their success in their studies.

The evening of Monday was given up to a missionary social, which had been preceded by a "Self-Denial Week," a week of which time every girl earned in one way or another as much money as she could, bringing the same as a missionary offering on the evening in question. Prizes were given for the lowest amount, and for the most money, and for the best offering. Miss Alice Kimball securing the first prize, and Miss Maude Smithers the second. Frappe, pop-corn and peanuts were to be had for the asking. The girls were very successful in their efforts, and the results justify the school authorities in maintaining this department of instruction. The work for 1897 has already begun. Miss A. Cutting of Waltham is the instructor.

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THE NOBLE GAME.

We were convinced that we knew something about games in our road. We had a tennis club, and Wilkinson, Dips and Banting had each a tennis lawn.

We had a croquet club. We rode horse. We got up private theatricals and fancy balls. We played billiards and halma. But one day a thunderbolt fell among us. The thunderbolt was but one game; that its name is "golf," and that those trivialities in which we so vainly indulged were nothing—absolutely nothing—not games at all.

It was the McGourock who let this light in upon us and practically saved us. There had been a hole to let in our road, a villa named Sidelines with a tennis lawn, and one day McGourock moved in, and those of us who went out after breakfast next morning observed a painter painting out "Sidelines" and substituting "Bunkers." Those among us whose gardens adjoined that of the Sidelines and who happened to go into them before breakfast that morning following the arrival of the McGourock saw him in his garden engaged with golf sticks and a little white ball stamped with a cross pattern. He had made a little hole in the tennis lawn and was trying to knock the little ball into it.

That evening, while Wilkinson was smoking a pipe in his garden and trying to water a great oak with a half inch hose, emitting a quarter of a pint in five minutes, Peter McGourock looked over the fence and passed the time of day.

"You'll have a club here, of course?" asked Peter.

"Oh, rather!" replied Wilkinson. "No end of clubs. We've a capital tennis club, and a croquet club, and a river club, and a bicycle club, and—"

"But Wilkinson drew up suddenly, thrown on his haunches, for the gray eye of Peter McGourock, which should have been ablaze with enthusiastic interest, was pale with a strong contempt.

"But how about 'the club'?" he asked.

"Club?" said Wilkinson. "Why—well, we've all those clubs—what more?"

"I was not asking about those trivial things," said McGourock. "Where is your golf club?"

"Oh? Oh—why—we haven't—just—exactly any golf club—that is, not yet. Is it a good sort of game?" said poor Wilkinson.

Peter looked him all over very slowly; then looked the hole all over very slowly; then Wilkinson's garden; then Wilkinson's house, right up to the top of the new lawn put. Then repeating very slowly, "Es et a good sort of game?" he turned away and disappeared into his drawing room.

For days after that poor Wilkinson, while watering the big oak with the half inch hose, would cast furtive glances at the McGourock tapping the little white ball in to the little hole in the lawn, and at times he could perceive, with the tail of his eye, Peter McGourock eying him over or peering into his property, and at times he could hear the muttered words, "Es et a good sort of game?"

At length Wilkinson made a heroic effort to put matters on a less painful footing. He looked over the fence at Peter, who was doing something to a golf iron with a file, and said cheerfully, but with a dreadful nervousness within:

"Is it—er—when you could spare ten minutes I should like to go as a favor if you would teach me to play golf?"

"Ten minutes, ye say?" said Peter, using that horrid eye of his.

"Well, well—of course I don't mean to say I could learn in ten minutes—ha, ha—ridiculous, of course," said poor Wilkinson. "But if you'd kindly teach me the stroke—"

"S'rrr," said Peter, "a man cannot be taught golf!"

"Well—of course I don't mean to say—that is—but a fellow might try to learn."

"Golf," said Peter, "is not a thing that a man can learn."

"Well, but—hang it all—how do people ever play? People do play golf, don't they?"

"Play?" said Peter. "And what might ye mean by 'play'?"

"Well—confound it! Don't you see people knocking confounded little white balls over confounded obstacles with things like that you're filling at?"

Poor Wilkinson was turning. Even Wilkinson will turn.

"Ah," replied Peter, "ye see people do that—and many's the number of them. But ye talked of playing, s'rrr! Effin' golf when he's put in to short clothes and devotes his life to it (excepting the Sabbath only, that was specially or dained for him to repaint balls and see to things), and if it's granted to that man at the close of a long life to arrive at the knowledge that he knows nothing of golf, that man can die a happy man, and when he's finally holed he will not have lived in vain. Aye!" continued Peter suddenly, "It's a good sort of game. It's just a game. It's just the only game."

From pure inability to bear the severity of Peter's eye, our road decided to form a golf club, and a deputation waited on Peter to beg him to show us how, to become president—and every other officer he cared to be, down to caddy.

"And where do ye propose to make ye links?" he asked.

We had thought that out before. There being no available land within a reasonable distance, we had agreed provisionally that we might utilize our back gardens for the purpose.

The first hole was to be in Banting's grass plot, seven gardens away. It would have been quite possible to get on to Banting's green in one good drive but for the providential interposition of Pordie's cherry tree.

It was arranged that Pordie's summer house—some way out of the straight line—should constitute an official bunker.

Now, to loft the ball well from any position near Pordie's bunker was no easy task, seeing that the player had to avoid the branches of a large elm, and the ball, if stopped by a branch, would inevitably drop through the roof of Pordie's green house and be very difficult to extract by any sort of legitimate play. Bogy for this hole was fixed at three.

From Banting's teeing green to Peter's hole was a single drive affair, but beset with difficulties.

The digression of a few feet to the right would dash the ball against the tower of Pordie's stable, whereupon the ball would be bound to dribble into the water butt, while a slight divergence to the left would smash the window of Pordie's billiard room, and the provisional committee of survey agreed to recommend—after the formation of the club—that a portion of the club's surplus funds—should any exist—should be set aside for the purpose

of indemnifying Pordie for any casualties connected with the pursuit of the pastime. There being no funds as yet available and a possibility that there never would be, the committee delicately abstained from any mention to Pordie of this particular item of the course, judging it would be kinder to let him find it out naturally and gradually in the progress of things.

It was arranged that the tee off beyond Peter's hole should be from the roof of Tubb's tool shed.

It was necessary to gently lift over the fowlhouse and between Tubb's pigeon cot and poplar tree on to the gravel path at the corner of Tubb's kitchen. From this point one could drive straight across the road, under the doctor's lamp on the far side, and between a conservatory and a house wall, to the foot of the doctor's rubbish heap, which constituted another official bunker—rubbish bunker.

The drive across the road was a difficulty because it was impossible for the player to know whether any one was about to pass along the road and it was therefore necessary to arrange the height of the stroke to a nicety, so that the ball should pass over the road at just such a height as to avoid the head of a pedestrian and yet low enough to avert the smashing of the doctor's lamp over the way. The ball could not pass over the lamp because it would then come in contact with a "mop" tree, and fall into a difficult gully, and from the gully it would need three strokes, a dribble, a gentle left over a dust hole, and another left to bring it to the rubbish bunker.

There came a difficulty. The only possible way to obtain a drive from here was to open the two windows of Crackleton's washhouse and send the ball straight through, which would enable it to cross the road again and pass between Wilkinson's gate posts (the gate also being left open) to Wilkinson's dust hole, which blocked it. Hence, by a short dribble, the ball could be placed in position to loft it over a holly hedge on to Wilkinson's green and then come a difficulty. The only possible way to obtain a drive from here was to open the two windows of Crackleton's washhouse and send the ball straight through, which would enable it to cross the road again and pass between Wilkinson's gate posts (the gate also being left open) to Wilkinson's dust hole, which blocked it. Hence, by a short dribble, the ball could be placed in position to loft it over a holly hedge on to Wilkinson's green and then come a difficulty.

Bogey for this was four, and this completed the round of eight holes, bogey for the whole round 24.

Then a boy turned up—none knew whence or how. He was believed to have come from a dirty back street a little way off, but why the school board allowed him to wholly suspend his attendance and devote himself to us we could not make out.

We learned that he was the first member we set eyes on him. He was a Scotch boy with unlimited confidence in himself, and he seemed to be an absolute professor of golf.

The first day we began to play he some how—with whose authority we know not—constituted himself caddy, and simply sat on the lot of us. In fact, our dread of the scorn of his eye was only inferior to our dread of that of the eye of McGourock.

Under the tuition of McGourock and the boy we made our first round. It was disastrous.

First, Wilkinson, standing too closely behind Dips when the latter was attempting his first tee off, suffered a compound fracture of the hat and a considerable contusion of the scalp. Next, Dips, having with great effort performed a drive of seven yards, made another mighty stroke at the ball on the strawberry bed where it had landed. There was a wild scattering of earth and strawberry leaves, and Dips gazed with great pride at a missile flying through one of the next door windows.

But when he looked again at his brasses the head was not on it, while the ball lay innocently on the strawberry bed as before. It was therefore concluded that it had been the head of the brasses and not the ball which had gone through the neighboring window, and this was subsequently ascertained to be a fact.

Wilkinson, following on, promptly lost three balls. One was believed to have landed in a roof gutter. But no man knows to this day what became of the other two, nor what direction they took, and some hold that they are still whirling through space, to the danger of the public. Then Cattlebury denied Wilkinson's shin, for Wilkinson seemed extremely unsteady at golf, hurt his own leg, and finally drove his ball through the window of Pordie's billiard room. It was agreed that this should not be considered as a disaster, seeing that such a casualty had been anticipated and provided for by the provisional committee of survey.

Dips made a really brilliant stroke from the corner of Tubb's kitchen across the road, but a carrier's cart, happening most unfortunately to pass at the moment, the ball took a tuft of hair off the back of the carrier's head, and deflected from its true course, smashed the doctor's lamp on the farther side of the road.

Pillcock required 13 strokes for the space between the tee off on Tubb's tool shed and Cattlebury's uncle's green; Wilkinson, 19, and Dips no fewer than 35, being 3.

Then Banting, unfortunately, killed Mrs. Cattlebury's pug and wounded the cockatoo.

On that first round the casualties were: Windows broken, 9; contusions, etc., 5; golf sticks damaged, 14; pugs killed, 1; cockatoos damaged, 1; balls lost or strayed, 20. Total casualties, 59.

At each misfortune the boys laughed in a demoniac way, and the scorn in McGourock's eye was fearful to look upon.

That evening we met at Wilkinson's and agreed that the game thus played did not seem promising, but McGourock declared his intention of going over the round regularly until we should succeed in finding more suitable links, and such was our dread of his eye that we dared not request him to abstain, and he did go round all day, every day, accompanied by the boy. We were miserable. He had thrown up bankers in our tennis ground, and we could not play, and his irritation when any of the ladies attempted cycling on the road was too terrible to defy. He objected to our even playing tennis, or croquet, or anything in our own gardens—indeed, was risky to go into them at all. At last, when the gardeners left because they objected to "it on the 'bad'" with golf balls, we secretly urged one another to take some decisive step with McGourock.

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NONANTUM.

—Mr. Joshua Holdsworth has taken a position in Lawrence, and has left for that place.

—Mr. Henry Tupper, formerly of this place, was in town this week visiting friends.

—At the home of Miss Jane Arnold on Bridge street, a carriage repair meeting was held Wednesday evening.

—Mr. Jonas Butterfield of California street is recovering from his recent severe illness and is able to be out again.

—Mr. Richardson of Newtonville was the leader of the Y. P. S. C. E. meeting at the North Evangelical church, last Sunday evening.

—Beatrice, the 7-year-old daughter of Mr. Reuben Forkall, was suffering with diphtheria. She is reported as improving.

—Arthur J. Scott has leased, through Forkall's real estate agency, the blacksmith shop on Pearl near Watertown street. After extensive alterations it will be used as a carriage repair shop.

—The Nonantum Club observed Washington's birthday by keeping open house. In the afternoon and evening the club rooms were filled by members and their guests. Light refreshments were served.

—A checker tournament was begun last Friday evening at the Nonantum Club. A number of professional players were present and several exciting matches were contested. Mr. Thomas Kybert is one of the best players, and the club members are desirous of arranging a match with him and some other local man.

—In the superior court for Middlesex county, sitting at Cambridge last week, Frank Pelagrine, who assaulted an Italian woman in this place some weeks ago, and who was captured after a fierce struggle by Officer J. J. Davis, was found guilty and sentenced to serve 30 months in the house of correction for the offence.

—There was a pretty entertainment in the North Evangelical church Monday evening, given by the children in honor of Washington's birthday. It was under the direction of Miss Eleanor Smith, superior of the Sunday school, and the parts were taken by the primary scholars. The musical and literary numbers were rendered in a manner which elicited hearty applause. Later supper was served in the

church vestry. The proceeds will be in furnishing school rooms.

—Mrs. Patrick Joyce of Cook street, who has been quite ill, is improving in health.

—Miss Della Messier of Johnson, Vt., is visiting her brother, Mr. Fred Messier of Bridge street.

—Sunday, March 15th, will be observed the second anniversary of the Buelah Baptist mission. A special service will be held.

—Mr. and Mrs. Quincy A. Green of Waltham street returned Monday from a two weeks visit to their former home in Vermont.

—The meeting at the Buelah Baptist mission next Sunday will be held by Miss Fannie Joyce of Mr. Moody's school at Northfield.

—On Washington's birthday there was no special demonstration made in this place. Flags were flying on the schools and houses. At sunrise, noon and sunset the bells on the North Evangelical church were rung for half an hour at a time.

—Louis Burofski is having the store in his block on Watertown street, formerly occupied by C. W. Kinder, remodeled and divided into two stores. Contractor Joseph Savins is doing the work. It is expected the stores will be occupied as soon as the changes are completed.

—Mayor Cobb, accompanied by the members of the police and public property committees of the city council, paid a visit to station 2 last Saturday evening and inspected the tramps' lodging house, with a view to ascertaining what steps could be taken to improve its condition.

—Tuesday evening at their home in Sweet's court, Bemis, Mr. and Mrs. John Rogers were agreeably surprised by a party of about thirty friends. The visitors came to extend their best wishes and presented their hosts with a handsome upholstered chair. Mr. Beale, in a few well-chosen words, made the presentation speech, which was fittingly responded to by Mr. Rogers. A collation followed and dancing was enjoyed.

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THE INDOOR TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

TO BE HELD IN BRAY'S HALL, MARCH 1-5, ANOTHER FINE EXHIBITION OF TENNIS PLANNED FOR.

The tournament committee of the Newton Winter Tennis Club is now busily engaged in making preparation for its forth-coming third annual tournament. The tournament commences on March 1st at the club court in Bray's hall, Newton Centre, and will continue throughout the week. The managers have already sent out announcements to the secretaries of all the tennis clubs and to the leading tennis players of the country, and every indication points to a large and notable entry list. The tournament will be an open handicap tournament for the indoor championship of the United States, and the handicapping will be according to that of the National Association wherever it is possible to use it.

Three years ago, when this club was formed, largely through the efforts of Mr. Harry L. Ayer and ex-champion Fred. H. Hovey, it was thought doubtful by many if "good" tennis could be played successfully indoors. The experiment inaugurated by the Newton Club has demonstrated thoroughly the practicability of indoor or winter tennis, and this club, which three years ago had only a local reputation, is now well known to the entire tennis fraternity of the country.

It will be recalled that a semi-elastic footing, to approach the elasticity of turf so far as possible, is provided by a large canvas stretched tightly over the entire floor. A heavy coating of green paint gives an appearance strikingly like that of a lawn, and with the lines painted in white, you practically have your turf court brought into winter quarters. The balls bound accurately on this canvas and with about the same resistance as on grass.

To get a proper adjustment of light, heavy black cloths are hung upon the walls, furnishing a background, against which the balls can always be distinctly seen. For evening playing powerful lights furnish the necessary illumination. The court is reflected into a white sheeting in the roof of the hall, so that the light over the court is a soft, steady one, admirably produced by secondary reflection from this sheeting. The court is equipped with dressing rooms, lockers, hot and cold shower baths, etc., so as to provide every convenience for the players.

Three winters ago on opening night, the first indoor tennis match was played under improved conditions as these, was played between Mr. Hovey and Mr. Wrenn. Later in the year an invitation tournament was held, participated in by the five foremost players of the time (excepting Wrenn), Hovey, Larned, Hobart, Chase and Foote. All these men were enthusiastic in their praise of this novel tennis and of the distinguished success of the experiment.

Last winter the club gave an open handicap tournament, adopting for the first time in this country, the English system of handicapping according to the "sixties" plan. This worked so satisfactorily that it will again be adopted this year. Exhibition matches were also played by Messrs. Hovey, Chase and Foote. The entries included thirty-two names from many prominent tennis centers. Mr. Edwin Sheafe of Brookline, an enthusiastic and active member of the club, won the distinction of being the first indoor tennis champion.

The entries thus far received for this year include many well known names, and the management expects that nearly all the leading players in the New England colleges and elsewhere will enter. Play will commence every afternoon at 5 and every evening at 7.30, in the gentlemen's handicap singles and scratch doubles. Suitable prizes will be presented and play will be governed by the rules of the U. S. N. T. A. The entries closed with Wm. H. Rice, Sec'y., Newton Centre, yesterday. The club is in a most prosperous condition, with full membership. The forthcoming tournament will be of great interest to all followers of tennis and will without doubt be as distinct a success as those which have been given in former years.

Threw Away His Canes.

Mr. D. Wiley, ex-postmaster, Black Creek, N. Y., was so badly afflicted with rheumatism that he was only able to hobble around with canes, and even then it caused him great pain. After using Chamberlain's Pain Balm he was so much improved that he threw away his canes. He says this liniment did him more good than all other medicines and treatment put together. For sale at 50 cents per bottle by Arthur Hudson, Newton; B. Billings, Newton Upper Falls; E. F. Partridge, Newtonville; J. A. Green, Newton Highlands.

INDIAN SUMMER.

Like Hellas' son in mythic ages old, Whose tender heart grew all too quickly cold, Who, having won King Minos' daughter true, Gave to young love's immortal cause— Fied while she slept on Naxos' lonely isle, And sleeping dreamed of Theseus' love the while.

The royal summer, through the leafy ways, Wooed well and won the beauty of the days; O'er hill and dale they wandered late and long, And woke the woodland echoes with their song. Till while she slept between the tender trills, He fied and left her dreaming on the hills— Benjamin F. Leggett in Every Where.

IN ARGENTINA.

The visitor or new resident in the Argentine Republic will, very soon after arrival, become unconsciously aware that one of the customs of the Spanish inhabitants is to reverse a well known proverb and render it thus: "On no account do anything today that can possibly be put off until tomorrow." With natural politeness, or perhaps to save the trouble of discussion, they promise anything and everything for "today." If so required, but the sun will set and rise and set again before the promise is fulfilled. He who promises thinks "manana" (Spanish for "tomorrow") will do equally well. Why be in such a hurry? Oh, these Argentinians; they cannot wait. They have no patience!

In a small camp town in the province of Santa Fe there dwelt one Manuel Rodriguez, a good looking fellow, according to his kind, with sleepy, black eyes, thick masses of dark hair, and a well built frame. He owned the principal panaderia in the place, and besides being a baker, carried on a small trade in shoemaking and repairing. All these qualifications raised him to the position of an eligible young man, and one looked up to as a desirable beau by the señoritas of his own class.

It was the hottest hour of a very hot day, 100 degrees in the shade, and not very much shade either to be found in that flat and treeless part of the country. But Rodriguez had a portion of the place well secured, and there he lounged in loose attire, drinking mate—the tea of the country—before taking his usual siesta. He would take a long rest; true, there were those shoes of the señorita promised for today, and still unfinished—but—there would be tomorrow—"manana"—his eyes closed, his head fell back—and Manuel Rodriguez was in the land of dreams.

He was not allowed to remain there long. Scarcely had he begun a nice comfortable snore when there resounded in the still air a loud clapping of hands. A man on horseback thus announced himself in the usual fashion at the door. Both he and his horse were jaded with the heat and covered with dust. A second clapping produced no effect, the man, muttering impatiently, alighted and knocked on the closed doors. A voice was heard within and presently there appeared, from behind the house, a youth, who inquired of the newcomer what he wanted.

"The master," was the reply.

"But the master is asleep, señor," said the boy.

"Then wake him," exclaimed the stranger, "and tell him to come quickly." Rodriguez, already awakened by the noise, rose from his chair, stretched himself, yawned and very leisurely opened the doors, greeting his customer with a "Buenos tardes." Responding in like manner the stranger held out a foot to show the plight he was in, the sole of his shoe having parted company from the upper leather, revealing a considerable portion of the wearer's sock. He requested Rodriguez to repair the shoe while he rested and dined at the nearest restaurant, promising to send for it toward sunset before resuming his journey.

"This is a small order to be rushed from one's necessary rest for," Rodriguez thought, but he was too sleepy for anything but an assenting "buenos." So the stranger, placing his now shoeless foot in the stirrup, thanked him and rode away. Rodriguez closed the doors, threw his shoe into an inner workshop, returned to his chair, resumed his slumbers, and this time enjoyed them undisturbed.

The strange señor was kindly entertained at the restaurant, supplied with slippers, refreshed with a bath, and his dusty clothes shaken and brushed. After partaking of the inevitable mate and enjoying a short siesta he was now dining peacefully at the restaurant. A boy was now dispatched for the shoe, with generous payment for the repair.

"Ah, señor," said the mistress of the house, "if it is that lazy Rodriguez who has left your shoe with, it will not yet be done."

"Not done!" he exclaimed. "But it must be done, or what shall I do?"

Quien sabe? said the woman, with her right hand on her forehead, and her head. The boy returned without the shoe, reporting Rodriguez would do it tomorrow. This made the señor very angry and the boy was sent a second time to say he must have it, however roughly stitched, and he would wait one hour longer for it. But the answer came that Rodriguez was going to dine, his man was drunk and unable to work, and therefore the shoe could not be repaired until the morning. The señor had better stay all night.

"It is impossible," said the señor, who was now in a great rage, and ordering his horse to be brought, he rode off to see what he could do in the matter. Rodriguez took it very coolly when asked the reason of the delay, saying he had been "indisposed," which was perfectly true in one sense, and he was now going to ride out in the camp. It was too late to work.

"But," said the stranger in a despairing voice, "it is time I started. What am I to do?"

"Quien sabe?" said Rodriguez unconcerned, with a shrug of his shoulders. The stranger took a good look at him, and without another word rode away, muttering to himself, however: "I'll make you pay for this, my fine fellow. You'll not again before many 'mananas' as you go well."

The mistress of the restaurant found a half worn pair of shoes which fitted the señor, and for which—his good temper being restored—he received ample remuneration. Then, after paying for his own refreshment and not forgetting that of his horse, he left the place. Outside the town he drew in rein, drawing round, kissed his hand in the direction from which he had come, saying: "A good one. O, er man's shoe! Ah, it is very good. Adios hasta la 'ego' (until we meet again)." The last trip in passing through this little town the same night brought the resident judge, who had been absent a few days. He was somewhat agitated and made instant inquiry concerning a man whose description answered exactly to that of the shoeless stranger, and whom he was most anxious to see and imprison. He sent vigilantes to all the restaurants, and on their return, "caring that such a person had not only been in the town, but had

remained there for several hours, leaving only at sunset, he exclaimed:

"The rob! He knew too well I was far away. Ah, my had luck!"

An exciting time now followed. Rumors of a rebellion had been floating in the air, and the day came when it broke out. The sympathy was mostly with the insurgents, the rising being in consequence of the unjust and one-sided administration of those in power. The rebels gained the victory and a general "turn out" of officials took place, followed by a putting in of new men. Another judge was appointed in the little town, and matters soon settled themselves very comfortably, as if nothing had occurred. Meanwhile Manuel Rodriguez had been roused from his usual apathy and the question of his preference for a certain señorita definitely settled. An energetic suitor for the hand of the fair Anita having come forward caused Rodriguez to realize the state of his own heart, and the fact that Anita, and she only, was his mistress. He then lost no time, but made such favorable overtures that he was accepted and the marriage arranged for the next "siesta."

A few days previous to the wedding he called at the residence of the newly appointed judge to notify him that he should present himself with his betrothed, her parents and usual witnesses on the morning of the fiesta for the civil marriage. It was not surprising that Rodriguez failed to recognize in him the dusty, unkempt, worn-out traveler of two months ago, whose shoes still remained unended and unlaced on the shelf of the workshop. But the judge recognized Rodriguez and listened gravely while the latter stated his business, and said they would, with the permission of his excellency, assemble before him at 9 o'clock on the morning of the fiesta. The only response of the judge was a brief "Buenos," and taking up a paper he signified that the interview was closed. Rodriguez, thus dismissed, uttered his thanks and bowed himself back on leaving the room, he would have seen the grave countenance of the judge instantly relax, a smile spread over his face and his eyes twinkled with fun, as he rubbed his hands together, exclaiming, "Ah, I shall now be even with you, my friend."

It was a glorious morning. The fiesta was one of the great ones and a general holiday. The tinkling bell of the little church had been calling worshippers together at intervals from a very early hour. The Argentine colors were displayed over the residence of the judge, and a few minutes before 9 o'clock the wedding party came in sight, a gay procession of some length, threading its way across the plaza by a well trodden path under the acacia trees, thus avoiding the dusty road. The invitations to participate had been well responded to, and the party crowded the room where they awaited the appearance of the judge.

Ten minutes passed, and Rodriguez, becoming impatient, rose and looked out. A vigilante was walking a saddled horse to and fro before the door of the judge's bedroom, which opened on the plaza. At the same moment, dressed for riding, out came the judge himself, and to the utter consternation of Rodriguez proceeded to mount his horse. He was then about to start, but this was too much. Rodriguez dashed forward.

"Pardon, señor," he gasped. "The marriage—we are all assembled in the office." "Eh?" said the judge. "Marriage?" "Si, señor. It was arranged for this feast day at 9 o'clock, with the permission of your excellency, and we are now waiting."

"Ah," said the judge, frowning, "but I am 'indisposed.' I am going to ride out in the camp." The marriage can be put off until tomorrow.

Rodriguez was furious, but dared not show it. "Pardon, excellencia," he cried in agitation, "but my bride—the company! The priests, too, will be waiting at the church. What am I to do?"

"Quite safe!" coolly replied the judge as he rode on a few paces. Then turning his head he added: "Perhaps you will now mend my shoe, my good fellow. Adios hasta manana" (adieu until tomorrow). "Shoe!" In a moment it all flashed on Rodriguez, and the angry blood rushed to his face. But catching a glimpse of Anita peeping out in alarm, he swallowed down his anger and pride, and rushing after the judge, begged a thousand pardons for his fault, entreating that his bride, so young, so happy, who had done no wrong, should not be punished and put to shame. Ah, his excellency should see how grateful he would be.

Now there was not in the whole province of Santa Fe a kinder hearted man than the judge, and although he had determined to punish Rodriguez, he did not intend to give him more than "a bad half hour." The priests, who were to be the guests of the judge at his breakfast table that day, being in the secret, thought the lesson was well merited, and might prove beneficial. But as the judge glanced back at Rodriguez, he also saw the pretty Anita's troubled face, and this, together with Rodriguez's appeal on her behalf, was too much for his kind heart. He could hold out no longer, so dismounting, he led the poor fellow back to his bride, said a few gracious words to her, and remarking generally that there had been "a little mistake," proceeded with the marriage contract.

Before Rodriguez and his bride left the room, the former placed on the table a double fee and assured the judge of his grateful feelings. They then proceeded to the church, where the religious ceremony took place.

That day week the judge received a present—the handsomest pair of shoes Rodriguez ever sent out of his shop.

There is an odd shoe hanging up in a conspicuous place in Rodriguez's workshop with the word "Recuerdo" painted under it. Old habits are not as easily got rid of or mended as old shoes, and he needs this "remembrance," for he still occasionally gives his lesson, and continues to cherish a fondness for the visionary "manana."—Newark Advertiser.

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NEWTON CENTRE.

—Tvers & Pond pianos, Farley, Newton.

—Miss Ethel Weaver has gone to Newmarket, N. H., for a visit.

—Miss May F. Edwards has left for a visit at East Orleans, Mass.

—Mr. and Mrs. George Haffemehl will leave this week for a European trip.

—Mrs. Coolidge of Grey Cliff returned Wednesday, from a short visit out of town.

—Ground has been broken for a new house at the corner of Colburn road and Homer street.

—Mr. A. R. Gardner, the druggist, is reported seriously ill at the home of his father in Milton, Mass.

—Mr. and Mrs. William Coolidge returned Thursday from two weeks in Washington, and N. Y.

—The young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Brooks of Summer street, is recovering from her recent illness.

—Mr. Moritz H. Emery gave piano selections at the third social of the Danvers Women's Association last Tuesday evening.

—Smith & Costello, hardware dealers, have taken a store in the new Union building, and have moved their stock in this week.

—Mrs. H. W. Fuller, who has been visiting her son, Mr. Andrew Washburn of Walnut street, has returned to her home in Halifax, Mass.

—Wednesday evening, the Junior Young People's Society of the Baptist church held a social in the church parlors. An informal entertainment program added to the pleasure of the evening.

—Next Sunday will be observed as Mission Sunday, at the Methodist Episcopal church. Rev. Dr. E. M. Taylor of Boston will preach in the morning, and the pastor, Rev. Luther Freeman will speak in the evening.

—A basket party and sociable was enjoyed at the Unitarian church, Monday evening. There was a large number present and a very pleasant evening was enjoyed. The affair was in charge of the young men of the church.

—Mr. Chandler will give a stereoscopic lecture on India, Sunday evening, March 7th, at seven o'clock, in the First church. All are invited. Mr. Chandler has recently returned from India, where he lived and worked twenty-four years.

—The service at the Baptist church last Friday evening, took the form of a farewell service to Rev. and Mrs. Alvah Hovey, who leave this week for a trip through Egypt and the Holy Land. Several of the older members spoke.

—The children's opera, "Golden Hair and the Three Bears," is to be given in Associates hall, Wednesday evening, Mar. 10th, under the auspices of the local improvement society. The parts will be taken by public school scholars, under the direction of Mr. B. M. Walton.

—The observance of the 165th anniversary of George Washington's birthday was a rather quiet one in this place. Saturday evening, the affair in Bray's hall, called out a large number of people, in many of the churches appropriate services were held. At the Unitarian church, Sunday morning, Rev. F. B. Hornbrook spoke on the life of Washington, and Rev. E. M. Noyes delivered a patriotic sermon in the First Congregational church.

—At 8.18 o'clock Monday evening, an alarm was rung in from box 72, for a fire in the partially completed house on Beacon street owned by Mr. W. B. Merrill. It was discovered by a passer-by, who saw smoke issuing through windows of the second floor, and immediately sounded an alarm. Chief Randall and the department members were soon on the scene, and soon extinguished the blaze. It was caused by an over-heated drying stove, and the damage amounted to about \$50.

—About 30 members of the Epworth League of the Methodist Episcopal church, gave an entertainment at the Morgan Mission chapel, Boston, last Saturday evening. A large number were present and the program was declared one of the best that had been given in the chapel. Dr. West, president of the league, had charge of the arrangements. Musical and literary selections were rendered by league members, assisted by Mrs. Martin of Waltham.

—Donald Munroe, employed at the farm on Parker street, Oak hill, owned by Mrs. J. Smith, was found dead in the barn on Tuesday morning. He was living at Mrs. Smith's with his wife and one child. About 11 o'clock in the morning he left the house to attend to some work in the barn. At noon, when his wife went to call him to dinner, she found his body lying in the barn. After the body had been removed to the house, Medical Examiner Mead of Watertown was summoned. He viewed the remains and decided that death was due to heart disease. Mr. Munroe was 51 years old, and had lived in this place since September. He had removed here from New York, and was formerly a floor-walker in Jordan, Marsh & Co's, Boston.

—Over 200 representative residents of this place attended the reception of "George and Martha Washington" held in Bray's hall, last Saturday evening. The occasion was an old-fashioned costume party, given under the auspices of the local improvement society. The spacious hall was elaborately decorated with flowers and festoons of colored bunting. Many of the ladies were gowned in attractive colonial costumes. In a pretty alcove of screens gorgeously furnished with Oriental rugs, and made brilliant with the subdued shades falling through the richly colored shades of the piano lamps, General and Mrs. Washington received the company from 8 o'clock to 9. In the forward end of the hall was a tea table, presided over by a party of young ladies. Senator Albert L. Harwood took the part of George Washington, and Mrs. G. H. Spaulding impersonated Martha Washington with real grace and dignity. She was gowned in white satin and brocade. At the grand march was formed, led by Mr. George S. Smith with Mrs. Henry Baily, and was reviewed by the "Father of His Country," and Mrs. Washington. Dancing followed until midnight, with an intermission during which supper was served, and songs of the revolutionary period were sung by a chorus composed of Misses Clara Bond, Fannie B. Edmunds, Mary I. Gerrish, Marion B. Haskell, Margaret P. Logan, Gertrude Nelson, Gladys P. Smith and Lillian G. White, and Messrs. Gardner C. Bassett, Henry B. Toles, Edgar J. McGill, Frank H. Morehouse, Francis C. Partridge, Allen C. Prescott, Francis H. Williams and Horace Williams. The matrons were Mrs. Alfred E. Alvord, Mrs. Harry P. Ayer, Mrs. Henry Baily, Mrs. Edward B. Bowen, Mrs. J. Albert Cole, Mrs. William C. Coolidge, Mrs. Christopher, Mrs. Charles Copeland, Mrs. Fred Hartley, Mrs. Albert L. Harwood, Mrs. Fred H. Hovey, Mrs. Clinton Hunter, Mrs. Daniel T. Kidder, Mrs. Harry W. Mason, Mrs. William B. Merrill, Mrs. Samuel S. Shannon, Mrs. Geo. S. Smith and Mrs. George F. Spaulding. The arrangements were in charge of Messrs. Henry Baily, Charles Copeland and George S. Smith. The following in colonial costumes of buff and blue, were the ushers: Messrs. W. M. Noble, Clinton Hunter, Charles Copeland, William B. Merrill, J. A. Cole, and E. L. Allen. The concert program was one of even excellence and included numbers by the Philomela

octet, chorus singing and orchestral selections.

—Read Hesse & Co. new advertisement in another column.

—Mr. Henry Paul's daughter had a very pleasant gathering of friends at her father's a few evenings since.

—Mr. Harry Haynie read an interesting paper in Bray's hall, Tuesday evening, entitled, "Superstitions Britanny."

—A successful coffee party at Associates hall, Wednesday evening. Proceeds towards paying the debt of the Church of the Sacred Heart.

—Some time Wednesday night the Newton Golf Club's house on the Gardner Colby estate was entered and tools carried off valued at \$12.

—A meeting of the Minister's Union is to be held Tuesday afternoon, March 23, at the Unitarian church. The subject, "Socialism," will be considered.

—Mr. J. W. Berry spoke at the meeting of the Baptist mission at Nonantum, last Sunday afternoon. He is a student at the Newton Theological Seminary.

—Shortly before 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon Sergt. Bartlett with Officers Taffe, Bailey, Mariner and Johnson, raided the premises of George T. Bartholmes on Boylston street and seized a quantity of cider.

—The flower store opened by W. D. Philbrick & Co., at B. B. Buck's store, is proving a very popular place, as the prices are always reasonable. Artistic feelings and private parties, etc.

—Mrs. Linnehan, wife of Dennis J. Linnehan, the provision dealer, died Thursday morning at her home on Centre street. The funeral will be held from her late residence at 8.15 a. m. tomorrow. Services from the Church of the Sacred Heart at 9 o'clock.

—Mrs. Bird's second subscription concert at Mrs. Frederick Thaxter Parks occurred on Wednesday evening, Feb. 24th. Miss Whittier sang her part of the program with her usual artistic feeling and her versatility was well shown in thus interpreting such contrasted music. In her sympathetic rendering of the songs, she was well supported by the refined and finished playing of Miss Sara Maile, the accompanist. This was Mr. Proctor's first appearance in this place. The interest and enthusiasm with which he was heard, only goes to prove the favorable criticism of the Boston musicians that "he is little short of a virtuoso."

—The final outcome of the Edward Preble vs Mrs. C. M. Ransom slander case, in which the jury rendered a verdict in favor of Mrs. Ransom, was most satisfactory to the residents of Newton, and the Centre, but the entire city of Newton, and Mrs. Ransom has been the recipient of congratulations on all sides, and her home on Commonwealth avenue, the scene of a continuous reception from the time the trial began. The beautiful flowers sent "for Mrs. Ransom with the love of many friends," also the numerous letters and telegrams of congratulation, testified to the high esteem in which she is held by the entire community. Among the friends, who called to personally express their gratification at the complete exoneration of Mrs. Ransom were: Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hartley, Miss Gilbert, Miss Harriet Paul, Miss Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Semler, Mrs. Frederic E. Banfield, Mrs. Andrew J. Stearns, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Albert L. Harwood, Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Seudder, Miss Helen Davis, Mrs. E. F. Sylvester, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Andrews, Miss Florence M. Andrews, Mr. William H. Rice, Mrs. C. F. Daniels, Mrs. A. O. Sylvester, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall O. Rice, Mrs. Geo. T. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. James D. Greene, Mrs. Francis Fitz, Miss Walley, Mrs. Henry F. Willis, Mrs. M. C. Skilton, Mrs. H. N. Clark, W. P. Marden, Mrs. Jeannette B. Wood, Miss Hill, Miss Lottie Tomlinson, Mrs. Priscilla Tomlinson, Miss Clarke, Mrs. Oliver I. Kimball, Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Huntington, Mrs. C. W. Wales, Mrs. Edward H. Mason, Mrs. Stephen Greene, Mrs. J. Q. A. Smith, Miss Annie E. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Farham, Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Davis, Mr. Charles Elmer Alexander, Mr. John H. Wilson, Mrs. H. M. Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Powers, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bearns, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Furber, Mrs. S. A. Sylvester, Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Ida H. Blaisdell, Mrs. George Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. F. Richardson, Miss Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis M. Mather, Mrs. Irene P. Hall, Mrs. John A. Daniels, Miss Maria S. Daniels, Mr. John H. Webster, Mrs. A. V. L. Rand, Mr. and Mrs. William Webster, Mrs. Carita Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Ellis, Mrs. Geo. L. Gilbert.

NEWTON HIGHLANDS.

—Mr. C. H. Noyes is at home from a business trip.

—The C. L. S. C. will hold its next meeting with Mrs. Hayward.

—Mr. Arthur Hartwell has returned from Rutland, Mass., for a short stay.

—The young son of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hyde is quite ill with pneumonia.

—The West End Literary Club will meet next Monday, with Mrs. Coggeshall.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Snow of Eliot have an addition to their family, by the birth of a son.

—Mr. Ball and daughter are quite pleasantly located at Ashville, N. C., and expect to remain for two or three months.

—Mr. P. T. Davis of Walnut street, who is connected with one of the departments at the State House, is confined to the house with typhoid fever.

—Mr. Thomas Robertson, who has been building two houses, on a new street, near the corner of Boylston and Walnut street, now occupies one of them.

—Mr. Walter Beal, who took Mr. Brown's place as assistant at the railroad station, is now ill with an attack of the grippe. Mr. Brown has resumed his duties.

—This Friday evening occurs the lecture on Joan of Arc by James Frederick Hopkins. The one hundred beautiful views will make this lecture unusually interesting. The sale of tickets already provides the subject a popular one.

—The Catholic church held in Lincoln hall, under the auspices of the Catholic church at Upper Falls, was very largely attended, about six hundred being present. An entertainment was provided, and we heard that the proceeds are for the benefit of the Newton hospital.

—An informal dance will be given in Lincoln hall, Mar. 2, under the auspices of the ladies of the Unitarian Society. Marie Grosse accompanied by the Hurdy Gurdy will furnish the music. This is likely to be the last of the enjoyable hurdy gurdy parties under these auspices.

—Rev. Harry Mills will preach at the M. E. church, next Sunday morning. The pastor will officiate in the evening. The fourth quarterly conference of this church will be held in the church parlors on Tuesday evening, Mar. 2. Dr. G. F. Eaton, the presiding elder, will have charge.

—The morning service of the All Souls Unitarian Society at Highland Club hall, will be conducted by Rev. Ralph Everett Corner of the Church of Our Saviour, Universalist, Waltham, at 10.45. Mr. William Safford Jones, minister in charge, will give a discourse on "The Religious Ideas of Erasmus," at the special vesper service at 7.45 p. m.

—The lecture by Rev. W. G. Puddefoot, agent for the Home Mission society, connected with the Congregationalists, was given at the Congregational church, on Wednesday evening. His topic was, "Lights and Shadows of Frontier Life," and it was listened to by a large audience. The proceeds are to be divided between

the missionary society, which he represents, and the Sunday school connected with the Congregational church here, for replenishing the library with new books.

—Read C. P. Jones' adv. for shoes and furnishings goods.

—G. N. B. Sherman has improved his store and added crockery and other goods to his stock.

—The annual meeting of the Newton Highland Improvement Association will occur at Stevens hall, next Monday evening, Mar. 1st, at 8 o'clock. Every household and other residents, are invited to join the association. Dues are \$1 per year. The funds are used to pay for planting trees, providing tree protectors, and improving the appearance of our village. Everyone ought to cheerfully contribute to this good work.

—There was no meeting of the Monday Club on Monday, on account of Washington's birthday anniversary, but Thursday evening was "Gentlemen's night," at the home of the president of the club, Mrs. Nickerson, at which Mr. Otis Potter read a paper on the "Early History of Newton," which was listened to with much interest. Piano solos and musical selections were rendered, and light refreshments were served, and the occasion was a very enjoyable one.

—The Fallon estate was sold by auction through mortgages sale last week. John Mullany purchased the property.

—Mr. Daniel Warren is still confined to his home by an extended illness of La Grippe. It is hoped he will soon be able to be out.

—There are many suffering from symptoms of the "grip," here during the past 5 or 6 weeks, and quite a number at present are becoming aware of a new acquaintance with this peculiar sickness.

—Fr. Merritt of Boston celebrated the masses at St. John's church, Sunday, Feb. 22nd, and was decorated for the occasion. Callahan returned home from Georgia, Monday, where he was taken sick while on a trip for the benefit of his health.

—James Cooney, pupil at High school, is said to have won a gold watch, as a prize given by a R. L. teacher, for collecting the largest number of votes for her, in the recent Boston Globe voting contest.

—The Ladies of the Methodist church will hold a fair in Freeman hall, Mar. 4th, afternoon and evening. There will be ice cream, confectionery and fancy articles for sale, supper served from six to eight. Price of supper 25cts.

—The Ladies of St. Mary's church inaugurated a new affair in the list of their midwinter entertainments for pleasure and profit. The festival held last Thursday evening, in Freeman Hall, was in the nature of a midwinter picnic. The hall was beautifully decorated for the occasion, and the booths and tables, which were presided over by ladies in bright and different colors in dress. The affair concluded with dancing at 11 o'clock, and was a most pleasing success.

—A petition is in circulation here for signature of those who are not in favor of the construction of the sewer through here at present. The bill allowing the city to exceed the debt limit, having passed both houses of the legislature, it is very probable that the construction of the sewer through here to the Upper Falls, will begin very soon. The majority of tax payers here are decidedly against this action so soon, and will remonstrate for reason. An increase in tax, and necessary cost of connecting.

WABAN.

—Mrs. Samuel Flint is visiting in Nashua, Mass.

—Mr. J. S. Green's drug store in Mr. Strong's new block, is going to be one of the finest in the city.

—Mrs. Keahn of Chicago and Mrs. Sawyer of Brookline were guests of Miss Gertrude at the home of the past week.

—Mr. E. P. Seaver has returned from N. Y., where he had gone to address a large meeting one day last week.

—Miss Dorothy Rice, who was at home for the 22nd with her sister, entertained friends from Cambridge, Monday evening.

—Mrs. S. W. True, who has been stopping with her son, Mr. J. P. True, Windsor road, has returned to her home at Bethel, Maine.

—Mrs. S. W. Doe, who spent several months with her daughter, Mrs. Phelps, last summer, is very ill at her home in Cambridge.

—Letters unclaimed in the postoffice for Mrs. E. McIntosh, Terence O'Neill, H. H. Grezgs, Mrs. Alice Jones, Mrs. Ellen Jennings, Winnie Allen, Mrs. Kate L. Mansfield.

—Mr. Pratt has just purchased the lot of land comprising 20,000 feet, on the corner of Woodworth and Chestnut streets, and which adjoins the house he now occupies. The sale was made by Mr. F. A. Childs.

—An apology is offered Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Vose for the report in last week's issue in which they were interested. However, congratulations are in order this week as a daughter was born to them Wednesday morning.

—Mr. Tozier, who has been suffering from a long and severe illness, died last week at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. C. B. Mazze. Services were held at the home of Woodworth and Chestnut streets, at 11 o'clock, at which Rev. Mr. Williams officiating. The burial was at Evergreen cemetery, Chestnut Hill. Mr. C. B. Mazze's mother also passed away last week at Colrain, Mass., after an attack of pneumonia. She was over 80 years old.

Experience proves the merit of Hood's Sarsaparilla. It cures all forms of blood diseases, tones the stomach, builds up the nerves.

Tramp (to Brown and Smith)—Gents, will you help a poor, hungry cripple?

Brown (impudently)—No. Get out.

Smith—Don't be hard on the poor fellow, Brown. Have you got a shilling in your pocket?

Brown—Yes.

Smith—Let me have it. (Giving the money to the tramp.) I may be soft hearted, but I can't help it. It's my nature, I suppose. I hate to see a man go hungry just for want of a shilling.

Strand Magazine.

Maximin was the only giant among the Roman emperors. He was 8½ feet in height and very heavily built even for that stature. He was a Thracian (barbarian) and rose to the imperial dignity by military skill and ability.

Wire fencing is manufactured by a piece of mechanism which was considered at its invention to be almost a miracle of mechanical work. It is so intricate as to defy description.

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THROUGH RAIN AND MUD.

Hardships of the Union Army After the Battle of the Wilderness.

General Horace Porter draws the following picture of wartime experiences in his "Campaigning With Grant" in The Century: The continual rain was most disheartening. On May 16 Grant wrote to Halleck: "We have had five days' almost constant rain, without any prospect yet of its clearing up. The roads have now become so impassable that ambulances with wounded men can no longer run between here and Fredericksburg. All offensive operations must necessarily cease until we can have 24 hours of dry weather. The army is in the best of spirits and feels the greatest confidence in ultimate success. * * * The elements alone have suspended hostilities."

In the Wilderness the army had to struggle against fire and dust; now it had to contend with rain and mud. An ordinary rain, lasting for a day or two, does not embarrass troops, but when the storm continues for a week it becomes one of the most serious obstacles in a campaign. The men can secure no proper shelter and no comfortable rest; their clothing has no chance to dry, and a tramp of a few miles through tenacious mud requires as much exertion as an ordinary day's march. Tents become saturated and weighted with water, and draft animals have increased loads and heavier roads over which to haul them. Dry wood cannot be found; cooking becomes difficult; the men's spirits are affected by the gloom, and even the most buoyant natures become disheartened. It is much worse for an army acting on the offensive, for it has more marching to do, being compelled to move principally on exterior lines.

Staff officers had to labor day and night during the present campaign in making reconnaissances and in cross questioning natives, deserters, prisoners and fugitive negroes in an attempt to secure data for the purpose of constructing local maps from day to day. As soon as these were finished they were distributed to the subordinate commanders. Great confusion arose from the duplication of the names of houses and farms. Either family names were particularly scarce in that section of the state or else the people were united by close ties of relationship and country cousins amounted to a confusing extent. So many farmhouses in some of the localities were occupied by people of the same name that when certain farms were designated in orders serious errors arose at times from mistaking one place for another.

A TRUE BEAR STORY.

A Yellowstone Park Bruin Gives a Grim Moral Lesson to Parents.

Speaking of law and the enforcement of discipline in Yellowstone park, I heard the story of a bear that which I consider as a lesson to parents in the home.

One day toward sunset, the bear came to the kitchen, and, having received her portion, she went out of the back door to carry it to her cubs. To her surprise and anger, the cubs were waiting for her. She laid down the food and rushed at her infants and gave them a rousing spanking. "She did not cuff them; she spanked them," and then she drove them back into the woods, cutting them and knocking them down at every step. When she reached the spot where she had told them to wait, she left them there and returned to the house. And there she staid in the kitchen for two whole hours, making the disobedient children wait for their food, simply to discipline them and teach them obedience.

The explanation is very natural. When the bear leaves her young in a particular place and goes away in search of food for them, if they stray away in her absence, she has great difficulty in finding them. The mother knew that the safety of her cubs and her own peace of mind depended upon strict discipline in the family. Oh, that we had more such mothers in the United States!—Harper's Weekly.

All Books Have Their Uses.

"Is there any book in the library for which there has never been a call?" said Librarian Hild as he repeated the question which he had been asked. "Well, there may be, but really I shouldn't like to be that there is. On the contrary, it seems safe to say that every book in the library has been called for at some time or other since it has been in our collection. Every book, even those that seem most useless to most people, has its use, and somebody is able to find some information for which he is searching in that very book which he has been asked. 'Well, there may be, but really I shouldn't like to be that there is. On the contrary, it seems safe to say that every book in the library has been called for at some time or other since it has been in our collection. Every book, even those that seem most useless to most people, has its use, and somebody is able to find some information for which he is searching in that very book which he has been asked. 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